

RED ARMY TAKES 176 FORTS IN 3 DAYS

Red Army Break Thru Mannerheim Line Sets Military High Mark, Lithuanians Say

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
KAUNAS, Lithuania, Feb. 21.—The Soviet offensive against the Mannerheim Line in Finland "is the first operation of this kind in the history of modern wars," a military writer declared today in the newspaper Oventlat.

"The military operations at the beginning of the war in Finland were actually only of a preparatory character," the writer said. "The Soviet army at that period ascertained the conditions of warfare in Finland. In Central Finland, the Red Army drove a deep wedge into Finnish territory, but the worst cold spell in the past 100 years brought a lull in Finnish operations."

"Foreign journalists predicted that the USSR would meet the same defeat in Finland that Napoleon suffered in Russia in the winter of 1812. These predictions fell flat."

"The retreating Finnish army destroyed and burnt everything in its path, forcing the Red Army men to remain under the open sky, with a cold wave of 50 degrees below zero Centigrade."

"Now the Red Army has decided to break through the Finnish defense line which blocks the way to all the important centers of Finland. Neither of the belligerent sides in the West, as we know, have yet dared to attack the en-

emy fortifications. The Finnish fortified lines were built by the same engineers who built the Maginot and Siegfried lines. In the opinion of impartial experts, the Finnish fortified lines are just as strong as the French and German fortifications."

"The Soviet offensive against the Finnish fortified lines is the first operation of this kind in the history of modern wars."

"It should be remembered that the German and Italian legions were unable for two years to storm such a weak fortress as Madrid, which was surrounded on three sides by armies of the enemy and had no technical equipment at all with which to defend itself against the enormous quantities of armaments of the technically equipped enemy. Yet, despite all this, Madrid was taken only as a result of disruption from within."

"After 16 days, a modern Maginot line has for the first time in history been broken through, and this experience will undoubtedly be widely used by the belligerent powers on the Western Front. The breakthrough of the Mannerheim Line, which was carried out on an unprecedented scale and with unparalleled organization, is hastening the end of the war in Finland."

Airmen Shoot Down 16 Enemy Planes

651 Fortified Areas Captured in Past Ten Days

BOMB MILITARY OBJECTIVES

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Thurs., Feb. 22.—The Red Army today reported that it took 176 Finnish White-Guard defensive fortifications in the past three days and yesterday shot down 16 enemy warplanes. There were 37 iron and steel artillery forts among the latests captured fortifications.

The total number of fortifications taken now numbers 651 for an operation which has been on only 10 days.

The communique stated: "Feb. 21—Nothing of importance at the front."

"From Feb. 19 to Feb. 21, Soviet troops occupied along the area including the fortress of Koivisto, 176 of the enemy's defensive fortifications, including 37 iron and concrete forts."

"The Soviet air force acted against enemy troops and military objectives. Sixteen enemy airplanes were brought down in air combats."

The Koivisto fortress was taken on Tuesday. It lies on the Gulf of Finland shore of the Karelian Isthmus, which is spanned by the Mannerheim Line.

The southern end of the Mannerheim Line is anchored on the Koivisto fortress, east of Viipuri (Viborg), while the other end is based on the Vuoksi waterways system, flowing into Lake Ladoga.

The offensive of the Red Army began on Feb. 11, and is unprecedented in modern history in that it represents the first and only successful penetration of a modern fortified line built along the lines of the French Maginot and German Siegfried lines.

The main advances against the Mannerheim Line have been in the sector between Muolaa, midway across the Karelian Isthmus, and the seacoast at Koivisto, where gains of many miles have been recorded.

The Soviet air force Wednesday shot down a total of 47 planes in sky battles. A steady, relentless air attack has also been turned against Finnish troops concentrations, while military targets such as railways, munitions dumps and depots, have been raided by the Soviet air force.



Twenty-five leaders of the International Fur and Leather Workers of the CIO, on the steps of the Federal Court House as they were about to enter for another session of the trial on charges of violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Act. On the extreme left is Ben Gold, International President. Third from the left is Irving Potash, manager of the Furriers Joint Council of New York.

Fur Union Heads on Trial Drove Out Lepke, Gurrah, Jury Told

Lasser Urges WPA Head Seek Increase in Rolls

Declares 'War Boom' Has Turned Into a Recession Worse Than 1937, Wiping Out All Gains in Employment

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—A request that Colonel Harrington obtain power from Congress to raise WPA rolls immediately to 3,000,000 was contained in a letter to the WPA Administration today, sent by David Lasser, president of the Workers Alliance. Declaring that this country is now in the midst of a recession "as severe in its intensity as 1937," the Alliance statement said that the gain in employment since the start of the war boom has been wiped out in the last month and one half.

The Alliance statement went on to say that under present plans WPA plans to drop 800,000 workers by June 30 and an additional 350,000 to 400,000 would be dropped between July and September. The Alliance requested that the administration increase WPA employment to provide purchasing power and limit the spread of the recession.

"The 1,000,000 gain in employment since the start of the so-called 'war boom' has already been wiped out in the last month and one half," Lasser said.

"Employment and payrolls are now declining rapidly, at a time when they would normally increase."

"In the face of this rapidly developing threat to our economy, the WPA program calls for the arbitrary discharge of 800,000 WPA workers between March and June 30th. If only the \$1,000,000 requested by the President is voted for the next fiscal year, it is estimated that at least 350,000 to 400,000 additional WPA workers will be discharged between July and September. Thus within the next six months, in the face of rising unemployment and the rising tide of the recession, WPA would throw 1,200,000 WPA workers onto the breadlines."

Guess What!

John D. Gives \$100,000 to Mannerheim

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., yesterday gave \$100,000 to Herbert Hoover to help bolster the regime of Finnish Butcher Mannerheim now on the run under the pounding offensive of the Red Army.

In a letter in which he praised Hoover and his "so efficient" Mannerheim relief organization, Rockefeller said it was a "high privilege" to give money for such "humanitarian purposes."

Hoover announced that his hand-out committee has sent \$1,200,000 to the White Guard forces waging a puppet war for British and French imperialism.

There is no record of Rockefeller contributions to Spain, China, Ethiopia or Czechoslovakia.

Union Attorneys Fight Gov't 'Anti-Trust' Prosecution

By George Morris

Louis B. Boudin, presenting the case of the defense before the jury trying Ben Gold and 24 other leaders of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO, on a Sherman Act indictment, declared yesterday that the men are on trial for "having succeeded in driving out of the fur industry."

The trial before Federal Judge William Bundy on a 6½ year old indictment, took a sensational turn yesterday, as the veteran labor attorney, traced the history of the fur union and how its leaders had to fight a combination of racketeers and employers all the way down the line.

Boudin, followed by former Magistrate Louis Brodsky, another of the four attorneys for the defense, explained to the jury that it is on the testimony of the very men being tried that the notorious gangsters were convicted.

The 25 are charged with a "conspiracy to restrain trade and commerce" under the Sherman anti-trust Act.

THE DEFENSE STAND

Highlights in Boudin's and Brodsky's presentation were:

The charges upon which the 6½ year-old indictment is based have long ago been exploded by the government's own evidence that was used in convicting the racketeer gangsters in two previous trials.

The allegations, the defense will prove, were made in statements by the gangsters themselves when they were before the 1933 August grand jury which handed down the indictments.

The late Morris Hillquit, attorney and right wing leader of the Socialist Party, was father of the price-fixing racket which employers organized jointly with the very reactionary-controlled union from which the defendants were expelled.

That huge slush fund, amounting hundreds of thousands of dollars was raised by the racketeers to pay for the 1933 reign of terror against members of Ben Gold's union, causing many deaths and injuries.

That while militant union leaders



JAPAN'S DRIVE COLLAPSES

—Locals of the great Chinese victory in Nanning, in south Kwangsi province, is shown. After permitting Japanese to advance as far north as Pinyang and Wuning (Wuchow), Chinese opened a counter-offensive that hurled the invaders out of Nanning and towards the seacoast. Nanning controls the Chinese supply route to French Indo-China.

Halifax Lists Arms Sent to White Guards

Admits 144 Warplanes, Huge Quantities of Munitions Sent

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

LONDON, Feb. 21 (UP).—(White-Guard) Finnish Minister G. A. Gripenberg appealed today to Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax to speed British aid for (White-Guard) Finland in view of the situation of the Mannerheim Line.

Halifax said Britain had dispatched to Finland 120 fighter planes and 24 bombers, of which between 40 and 50 already had reached Finland. The others are enroute.

Halifax listed other British war materials sent to Finland as including 150 anti-tank rifles with ammunition, 10,000 anti-tank mines, 50,000 hand grenades, 25 howitzers, 100 machine-guns with ammunition, 25 anti-aircraft guns with ammunition, a considerable quantity of small arms, 30 field guns, four six-ton tanks, 12 six-inch guns with ammunition, 10 three-inch mortars with ammunition, respirators (gas masks), gas decontamination equipment, tents, clothing and field telephones.

Chinese Take Nanning; Restore Supply Lines

Victors Pursue Retreating Foe in Steady Advance South of Key City; Push Drive on Siao-shang

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, Feb. 21.—Nanning today was back in Chinese hands. China's supply route to French Indo-China was again safe.

The important South China river city in southern Kwangsi province was recaptured by the Chinese after a furious counter-offensive which has the invaders fleeing headlong to the seacoast and relative safety.

For three days the Chinese, having almost completely surrounded Nanning, poured heavy and relentless fire against the Japanese positions until the Japanese, having lost large effective, admitted utter defeat of their Kwangsi offensive and withdrew toward Tatschow and Fangcheng, on the coast of Kwangtung province.

The Chinese are slowly but steadily advancing south from Nanning as they press the retreating Japanese.

Anti-war activity among the retreating Japanese troops is growing. Anti-war leaflets have been circulated among the Japanese soldiers.

In northern Chekiang province (Central China), Chinese troops continue to press the Japanese hard both east and west of Siao-shang.

In northern Kiangsi province, two and a half miles of track on the Nanchang-Kiukiang railway were

ripped up by Chinese guerrillas near Lohua. Japanese garrisons southeast and west of Nanchang, along the Kaonan-Penghsien highway, are under continuous attack by Chinese guerrillas.



Mao Tse-tung

● Mao Tse-tung, leader of the Chinese Communist Party, declares that democracy is the key to China's victory and progress. In an interview with writer Edgar Snow, Comrade Mao outlines the political situation in China at the present hour.

● This interview will be featured in tomorrow's Daily Worker.

220,000 Indian Textile Workers Set to Strike

BOMBAY, Feb. 21 (UP).—Textile workers' leaders said today that 150,000 workers in Bombay and 70,000 in Ahmedabad would strike Monday as the result of a breakdown in negotiations for wage increases.

Workers demanded 20 per cent wage increases and the owners offered 7½ per cent. The government suggested a 12½ per cent wage increase or arbitration but the owners rejected both proposals.

Mohandas K. Gandhi, Indian National Congress leader, expressed his sympathy with the Ahmedabad workers.

Oaks From Washington's Grave Grow in USSR as Symbols of Respect for Liberator

By Janet Weaver

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.—Two mighty oaks, descendants of the oaks on George Washington's grave in Mount Vernon, stand today in the village of Ostafeyvo, near Moscow, as a symbol of the Soviet people's respect and sympathy for the struggle of the American people for their independence.

They stand in the park in front of the big house where the famous Russian historian, N. M. Karamzin, lived.

Karamzin greatly sympathized with the struggle of the American people for their independence and considered George Washington one of the greatest statesmen of his epoch. The origin of the oaks is connected with this sympathy.

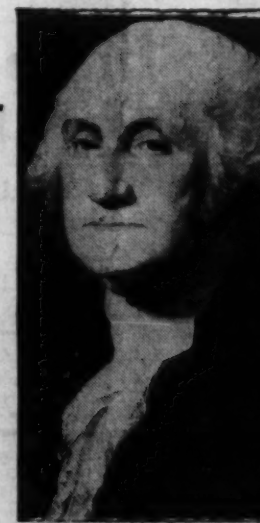
In a village near St. Petersburg (now Leningrad)

stood an oak which had grown from an acorn on Washington's grave, brought to Russia by an American. After Karamzin's death in the second half of the 19th century, two acorns from this oak were planted in Ostafeyvo, in his memory.

During the hard years of the Civil War, the Soviet Government took care of the course and the park, and the trees still stand today.

This story was only one of the factors which led to my interview with I. Yuzefovich, a candidate of historical science and senior scientific worker at the Institute of History of the Academy of Science of the U.S.S.R. Yuzefovich is the author of a book on "George Washington and the War for Independence."

Speaking of the role of Washington in the war for



GEORGE WASHINGTON

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All Turks of Military Age To Be Called

Pushes War Preparation By Ordering All Men To Establish Age

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 21 (UP).—A Ministerial Coordination Commission, named to implement Turkey's national defense law, called into force yesterday, today notified all Ministries that all Turks of military age must have their "military position" inscribed on their identity papers, the newspaper Cumhuriyet said.

The commission, headed by the Premier, includes the Ministers of National Defense, Finance, Commerce, National Economy, Communications and Agriculture. Under the sweeping "full powers" of the law, the government can and is expected to assume direction of the industrial financial and commercial activities of the nation.

22nd Anniversary of the Red Army

WARMMAKERS ALONE FEAR THE RED ARMY;
OPPRESSED PEOPLE HAIL IT AS FRIEND

Friday Marks Anniversary of First Real Peoples Army

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.—The dealers in death and the imperialist warmakers will not find much matter for rejoicing Friday on the Red Army's 22nd anniversary, but the peace-loving peoples of every land know that their own liberty and future are safeguarded by the armed forces of the first socialist country.

The Red Army has tested its steel several times within the past year, whenever the imperialist warmongers asked for it by attacking the frontiers of either the Soviet Union or a nation guaranteed by the U.S.S.R.

The Soviet troops have shown that they mean every word of the new oath of allegiance and loyalty which they took on Feb. 23, 1939, on the 21st anniversary of the Red Army.

JAPANESE KNOW

That the oath meant business was demonstrated to the Japanese last August and September, on the border of the Mongolian People's Republic. The Japanese, who had not yet learned the lesson taught them the previous August when they tried to take Changkufeng Hill, and failed, were given another fearful drubbing by the Red Army and the allied Mongolian People's Army.

This defeat was even larger in extent and significance than the Changkufeng (Lake Hassan) battle. The Japanese, trapped in a double-flank maneuver, were routed and left on the battlefield 144 field pieces, 201 machine guns and trench mortars, 9,000 rifles as well as numerous tanks, armored cars and motor vehicles. During this single conflict, the Japanese lost nearly 250 planes.

The Japanese press "modestly" estimated the casualties in killed and wounded at 18,000 men—well over a single division in the Japanese Army—but, since modesty is not part of the usual make-up of the Japanese militarists, it should be said for them that their actual losses were 30,000 killed and wounded.

HEROES HONORED

The Soviet people paid tribute to their valiant sons by giving 77 of them the title of Hero of the Soviet Union, including Army Corps



ORGANIZED THE RED ARMY—The Red Army—the sword and shield of the land of socialism—organized by Joseph Stalin and Kliment Voroshilov (shown together above) together with and under the guidance of Lenin. The Red Army is 22 years old tomorrow, and the entire Soviet people are celebrating the great anniversary.

Commander Jacob Smushkevich and two men previously decorated with the Hero of the Soviet Union title, Majors Gritselevs and Kravchenko. Close to 17,000 men were also decorated with other orders and medals of the Soviet Union.

Another day that will go down in the memory of the Soviet people—and as a dark and dismal day for the war-mongers—was September 17, 1939, when Red Army troops, on the orders of the Red Army High Command, crossed the former Polish frontier.

The Red Army—infantry, cavalry, artillery, tanks, aviation—advanced westwards at a remarkable pace, going as far as 60 miles in a day. The Polish armed fascist bands were swiftly crushed, and gangs of Polish officers were wiped out whenever they tried to halt the Soviet advance, at Grodno, Vilno, Chertkov and elsewhere.

Three days after the start of the operations, the Red Army had taken 60,000 prisoners and captured

large quantities of military supplies, including 280 artillery guns and 120 airplanes.

MISSION OF LIBERATION

At this very hour the heroic legions of the Red Army are waging a struggle to liberate the Finnish people. Though extremely unfavorable weather is greatly hampering use of aviation and tanks, despite the aid to the White-Guard Finns from the Anglo-French and other imperialists, the Red Army and Navy started operations successfully, and they intend to finish them just as successfully.

In the week between Feb. 11 and 18, the Red Army captured 475 enemy defensive fortifications on the Karelian Isthmus, including 92 ferro-concrete artillery forts. For the first time in history an offensive is moving successfully through a "Magnet Line," and it is the Red Army of the liberated working class which is waging that offensive.

Oppressors Know Its Wrath; Japanese Will Remember

The Finnish people know and love the Red Army and await its arrival. Back in 1918, when Lenin was travelling on a Finnish train, he observed several Finns in conversation with an old woman. A Finn who spoke Russian turned to Lenin and said, "Do you know what an original thing this old woman has said? She said, 'Now I have no fear of the man with the gun. When I was in the forest, I met a man with the gun and, instead of taking my brushwood from me, he gave me some more.'"

THEIR OWN HEROES

New dauntless heroes—typical of the new "man with the gun," the Red Armyman—have been raised to fame by the Finnish struggle. The names of Heroes of the Soviet Union: Belov, Kapustin, Ponomarev, Porosenkov and their fellow-heroes are spoken with pride by the Soviet people.

Government orders have been awarded to entire military units, including the 123rd Rifle Division, which first broke into the fortifications of the Mannerheim Line. The great family of Heroes of the Soviet Union now includes eight splendid sailors of the Baltic Fleet, while the Order of the Red Banner has been given to the sub-marines S-81 and Shch-311. 227 Red Navy sailors, commanders and political workers have been awarded orders and medals.

The Red Army is an army of heroes fighting for the heroic and progressive cause of socialism and emancipation of the working class.

In Finland now, as before in West Ukraine and West Byelorussia, and on the Soviet eastern frontiers, and in Outer Mongolia, the Soviet Army is fulfilling its honorable mission its historic mission of safeguarding the Soviet frontiers and is liberating the working people of Finland from the oppression of landlords, capitalists and foreign imperialists.

A fierce cold wave hangs over Finland, swamps and lakes, forests and concrete fortifications stand in the way of the Red Army—yet, despite all, the Soviet troops are breaking through, fulfilling the international duty of the army of socialism, the army of liberation.

British Coal Crisis Grows More Acute

People Forced to Stay in Bed for Warmth in Many Towns

LONDON, Feb. 21 (UP).—The acute cold weather coal shortage was approaching critical proportions today in some towns.

For example, Melksham, Wiltshire, families were forced to remain in bed for warmth as the town was entirely without fuel and in other districts the inhabitants were stripping trees and fences for firewood.

At its meeting tonight, Parliament heard a statement by Capt. Euan Wallace, Minister of Transport, that 143 additional coal trains would be run weekly.

Troops Shifted To Improve Army Mobility

Makes New Divisions Closer Knit Fighting Organizations

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (UP).—Transfer of 7,500 troops in a program under which five recently-created army divisions will be transformed into closely-knit fighting units, was ordered by the War Department tonight.

The changes will become effective about June 1, after completion of maneuvers of the Third Army in the South. They are designed to make each division a cohesive, highly-mobile force which could be mobilized quickly, and at little cost, in a specified sector.

The troops are now assigned to various corps areas. They are affected only in that their home stations are changed. No army posts are to be abandoned and no new ones will be created.

Four Dutch Ships Sunk, Total Is 18

LONDON, Feb. 21 (UP).—Dutch shipping suffered its sharpest blow of the war today.

The loss of four Dutch ships was reported. The torpedoing of a Swedish steamer three weeks ago was revealed by the arrival of four members of her crew at a Norwegian port.

Crews of British trawlers returning to port meanwhile disclosed that since the Admiralty ordered the arming of their vessels they were returning the fire of German planes, driving them off and in some instances damaging them.

The Dutch marine casualties brought to 18 the number of that country's merchant ships lost since the war began.

The Tara, 4,760-ton, was sinking after an explosion. The Alja, 385 tons, rammed a wreck off the French coast and wrecked herself. A mine in the North Sea sank the Petten YM-49, and the 11,800-ton Denhaag was feared lost.

Uruguay Paper Reports German Naval Ship Near

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Feb. 21 (UP).—A German raider, believed to be either the pocket battleship Deutschland or its sister-ship, the Admiral Scheer, was reported today by the pro-government newspaper El Pueblo, to be operating in the South Atlantic.

It was the second successive day that the newspaper published the report, but the source of its information was not given.

[In London, naval circles were inclined to doubt the report, pointing out that there have been no reports of shipping casualties recently in the South Atlantic.]

Myron Taylor Set To Meet Pope Soon

VATICAN CITY, Feb. 21 (UP).—The semi-official Vatican news agency announced today that Myron Taylor, President Roosevelt's personal representative, will present his credentials to Pope Pius XII during the first week of March in order to permit him to participate in ceremonies of the first anniversary of the coronation of the Pontiff as ambassador extraordinary.

The anniversary ceremonies will be held March 12.

Daladier to Report

PARIS, Feb. 21 (UP).—The Cabinet, sitting as a council of ministers with President Albert Lebrun presiding, will meet tomorrow to hear Premier and Foreign Minister Edouard Daladier report on the diplomatic and military situations.

The best defense of Brouder is to make his works known to the people. Give the "Brouder Library" as a gift!

ALLIES SEEK TO SPREAD WAR, DECLARES RUMANIAN WRITER

Blames Finland's White Guard Rulers for War on USSR; Cites Foreign Press Lies, Provocations

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

BUCHAREST, Feb. 21.—A writer in the current issue of the magazine Insemanar Jashene, issued in the Rumanian city of Jassy, today placed upon Britain and France responsibility not only for continuation of the European war but also for machinations to extend the war to other countries. The Insemanar Jashene is an influential literary and political journal. The writer, entitling his article "The Truth and Not the Propaganda," declared that the Anglo-French war against Germany, which has been unsuccessful thus far, "is not popular among the peoples of the belligerent countries, particularly Britain and France."

"At that," the writer continued, "Britain and France appear before the whole world as the aggressors, for they refused to conduct peace negotiations with Germany."

ON FINLAND

Turning to a discussion of Soviet-Finnish relations, the writer declared that it was not the Finnish people but their exploiters, who have a great deal to lose in the establishment of democracy in Finland, who are fighting against the Soviet Union.

"The foreign press services," he continued, "swooped down with a frenzy on the subject of the Finnish war. The international press is filled with the most ghastly and contradictory reports. Approximately one Russian division a week is wiped out, and mobilization in Afghanistan and Turkey to help Finland is officially announced and then denied on the following day."

"On Dec. 27, the Reuter (British) agency, apparently being dissatisfied with the course of the Finnish operations, began on its own responsibility an 'offensive' on the Leningrad-Murmansk railroad. Countless times this line, according to the dispatches of the Reuter Agency, was destroyed and . . . just as many times the lie was given to the dispatches."

"The object of this campaign in the Anglo-French press is clear. It aims to conceal the complete activity of the Allies on the Western Front, to increase assistance to Finland as a military base for attack on Leningrad, to spread the war to the north, thus forming a new front against Germany, and to involve the USSR in this war."

British Warships Are Reported Off Petsamo

BERGEN, Norway, Feb. 21 (UP).—Observers along the coast reported today that both British and German ships were standing off shore and that British warships were cruising near the Finnish port of Petsamo, now in the hands of the Red Army.

It was not known whether the British warships were seeking German vessels, were blockading Swedish iron ore shipments to Germany from the port of Narvik, or planned possible action at Petsamo.

LONDON, Feb. 21 (UP).—Reports from Norwegian and Italian sources today that the British navy was concentrating patrols north of Norway in the vicinity of Petsamo were met with silence in British naval circles.

New Earthquakes Wave Hits Turkey

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 21 (UP).—New earthquakes, accompanied by volcanic action in the Ercis Mountains, struck Kayseri province in Turkey today.

The villages of Soysali and Siminogut were reported destroyed. Thirty persons were killed and 22 injured there, first reports said. More than 1,000 head of livestock were said to have been killed.

The new quake centered at Devall.

233 Collective Farms Honored at Soviet Fair

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.—The Soviet Government today awarded 233 exhibitions at last year's Soviet Agricultural Exhibition with orders of the Soviet Union. Awards were made to collective farms, state farms, machine and tractor stations and scientific research institutions.

Clippers Enroute U. S.

LISBON, Feb. 21.—Two transatlantic Clipper planes took off for the United States today after being delayed here by bad weather since Feb. 8 and Feb. 16.

Lights Cut Off, Woman Dies In Lamp Blast

FREEPORT, Ill., Feb. 21.—A kerosene lamp used when electric current was cut off for nonpayment of a \$14 bill caused the death of Mrs. Faye Swift, 32, wife of an unemployed WPA worker today. She died of burns suffered after the lamp was tipped over and exploded.

Stay Neutral, Says Sweden's Parliament

Supports Government Vetoing Troops for Mannerheim

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and that he believed the Swedish people understood that the desire of the Swedish government was to aid [White-Guard] Finland by all means short of military intervention. Hansson refused to answer any questions regarding "voluntary" aid for [White-Guard] Finland, but said:

"We must carry on the present policy, hoping it will be best for our people. I also want to say that as prime minister of Sweden I am working primarily for Sweden's best interests."

Fire on Super-Liner

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Fire, believed due to electrical short circuit, broke out today on the new super-liner Queen Elizabeth, but was confined to the library and air plant machinery.

Get the "Brouder Library" for your own collection. See that it reaches the homes of your friends!

Gallup Poll Shows Sharp Jump In American Opposition to War

Tabulation Shows 77 Percent Oppose War Against Germany

Showing a sharp increase in sentiment against United States involvement in the European war, the Gallup Poll has found that 77 per cent of public opinion oppose sending U. S. armed forces to fight Germany even if Germany were defeating Britain and France.

A survey of the American Institute of Public Opinion, headed by Dr. George Gallup, issued the following report on the straw vote: "Three times since hostilities began, the institute has measured sentiment on the issue. The trend shows a sharp decline in the num-

ber of voters who believe the United States should take up arms against Germany if the Allies are losing. "Whereas more than two-fifths of voters advocated this action the first week of the war, only about one-fifth favor it today.

ANTI-WAR SENTIMENT GROWS

"The trend is as follows in the institute's three separate surveys: "If it appears that Germany is defeating England and France, should the United States declare war on Germany and send our army and navy to Europe to fight?"

	Yes. No.
Last September	44% 56%
Last October	29 71
Today	23 77

"The decline is not due to any decrease in American sympathy for the Allied cause, for institute surveys find the majority wants the Allies to win and wants to give them every aid short of armed intervention. The decline is, rather, another indication of the deep-seated desire of the people to avoid shedding American blood in Europe's battles. The majority apparently considers at the present time that keeping out of war is even

more important than giving unrestricted aid to the Allies.

"There is, however, a tiny group of voters who have always been in favor of taking up arms against Germany regardless of circumstances. Institute researches show that the group numbers approximately 3 per cent. The amount of war sentiment in the country ranges, therefore, from about 3 per cent—the number who want to fight Germany now—to 23 per cent—the number who would fight Germany only if the Allies appear to be losing. The rest, an overwhelming majority, are for staying out no matter what happens."

War Adds 157,371 to Army Of Unemployed in Britain

LONDON, Feb. 21 (ICN).—Unemployment increased last month by 157,371 bringing the total on Jan. 15 to 1,518,896. The increase of 101,571 is recorded in the building industry. Since war started unemployment in the building industry has steadily grown, because of government curtailment of building and public works schemes.

Attempts Made To Refloat The Altmak

BERGEN, Norway, Feb. 21 (UP).—The German steamer Wiegand, 9,000 tons, began attempts today to refloat the steamer Altmak in Joesing Fjord.

The Altmak's stern was hard aground and her propellers were believed to be damaged.

Norwegian authorities said the Altmak ordinarily would have been expected to leave the Fjord within 24 hours after her arrival. Because of the technical impossibility of enforcing the rule, the 24-hour period will not begin again until the Altmak is refloated and fully able to go to sea.

Authorities said the Altmak had not been interned and therefore there was no question of her release.

British Planes Fly Over Reich Naval Base

BERLIN, Feb. 21 (UP).—British planes flew over Helgoland light, site of German air and naval bases, just after midnight from the west and northwest, violating Dutch neutrality, the German high command communique said today.

(The British Air Ministry in London said that several Royal Air Force planes successfully carried out reconnaissance flights over Helgoland tonight.)

The German communique did not say if the British planes were attacked. It merely mentioned that they had flown over the base and had violated Dutch territory.

A German U-boat returning from an extended voyage reported sinking 27,795 tons of shipping, the communique said.

Chile Agrees To Protest British Raid

Accept Brazil's Proposal After Attack on Ship Off Neighbor's Coast

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 21 (UP).—Chile was reported today to be agreeable to Brazil's proposal that 21 American Republics protest jointly to Great Britain against the action of a British cruiser whose efforts to halt the German freighter Wakama resulted in the scuttling of the vessel off the Brazilian coast on Feb. 12.

President Pedro Aguirre Cerda's opinion will be awaited, however, before a formal reply is sent to Rio de Janeiro. The president is at Vina del Mar, Chile's summer capital, at present.

A request from French Minister Count Louis de Sarthe that Chilean-born sons of Frenchmen be allowed to join the French Army brought a reply from the foreign office that it is the Chilean government's "firm intention" not to do anything which might signify a violation of its strict neutrality.

DEFEND COMMUNIST PARTY LEADERS

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Court Attacks On Chi. Labor Rights Grow

Hearst Pushes Anti-Labor Drive Against Guild, I.L.D., 'Record'

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—A three-way attack on civil liberties today finds labor unions and liberal forces in Chicago mobilizing to protect the rights of free speech and free press.

First attack came against the Chicago Newspaper Guild, members of which have been on strike against Hearst's local papers for 15 months. The Chicago Guild was found guilty last fall of violating an anti-labor injunction, issued in February, 1939, and was fined \$500 by Superior Court Judge John J. Lupe.

Final arguments on the report of Master in Chancery Benjamin E. Cohen, which recommends to Judge Lupe that he find the Guild guilty in a second contempt case, are now being heard.

The injunction restrains the strikers from picketing at or near advertisers' place of business and from "intimidating or coercing" subscribers to the Herald-American, and advertisers, from withdrawing their patronage. The Guild maintains that handbill distribution, legality of which has been upheld by the Supreme Court, and persuasion of subscribers and advertisers, do not violate the injunction.

Second assault on civil liberties is directed against the International Labor Defense and the Record Weekly, which have aided the strikers. Bob Wirtz, acting Midwest secretary of the I. L. D., and William Patterson, a national director, have been held in criminal contempt for circulating a letter to I. L. D. members, asking them to protest to Judge Lupe against using of his court as an "arena" for Hearst interests.

Louis Budenz, editor of the Record Weekly, who criticized the injunction against the Guild as a dangerous precedent that would be used in the future to smash the rights of all labor, and who pointed out the serious implications in the move against the I. L. D., also is charged with criminal contempt.

The I. L. D.-Record case is now under way.

JAIL THREATS

Perhaps the most significant assault on civil liberties is the Hearst threat to throw Guild strikers in jail on body attachment orders.

On Feb. 7, Judge Lupe opened the way for Hearst Attorney Edward G. Woods to enter petitions for John Doe body attachment orders. Referring to distribution of handbills on the city's streets, Judge Lupe declared:

"If this doesn't stop, I am going to issue an order. This has got to stop. Let him (Hearst counsel) serve notice and I will enter an order."

Later he made his intention more clear:

"If they (Hearst counsel) come in with their proper application, I am going to order the sheriff to make an arrest on sight."

A few hours later Guild attorneys Arthur J. Goldberg and George Quilley were served with petitions for body attachment by attorney Woods. They will make reply on Feb. 26.

The handbills referred to advise the public of the strike and the names of Hearst's remaining advertisers.

Guild attorneys declare such attachment orders are unprecedented in labor history. A glance at history books shows that John Doe body attachment orders, issued in the name of King George III, constituted one of the causes of the Revolutionary War. Today, if his honor pleases, they will be issued in the name of Hearst.

Labor unions and progressive forces are preparing to fight what they consider misuse of the courts.

Chicago Negroes Hail Browder As Leader in Fight for Rights

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Greeting Earl Browder as the "outstanding symbol and fiery tribune for the aspirations of the American people," a Browder Defense Rally of Negro citizens on the South Side sent the Communist leader a message in which his conviction is compared with the "Dred Scott decision of 1857, which was a prelude to the Civil War and the freedom of the Negro slaves."

The greeting extends an invitation to Browder to attend a banquet to be held in his honor here on March 10.

Signed by Romania Ferguson, chairman of the rally, the message declares that Browder occupies with the Negro people a place with all the outstanding Negro and white fighters for

freedom that history has produced.

The letter in full follows:

"Dear Comrade Browder: 'This assembly of Negro citizens, called together by the Southside Communist Party of Chicago to protest against your recent conviction, unanimously feels that a message should be sent to you expressing our determination to prevent the silencing of your powerful voice, the voice of peace and human liberation.'

"Every great historical change has been precluded by a brutal wave of persecutions against the people's leaders. We Negro people see a great similarity between your conviction as the outstanding symbol and fiery tribune for the aspirations of the American people, and the Dred Scott decision of 1857, which was a

prelude to the Civil War and the freedom of the Negro slaves.

"To us, you occupy a place in our bosoms with Toussaint L'Ouverture, Denmark Vesey, Nat Turner, Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, John Brown, Frederick Douglass and others. To us you are the rightful bearer of the standard of Jefferson, Paine, Jackson and Lincoln.

"The Communist Party under your brilliant leadership has become known, and is more and more accepted, as the party of the Negro people. The struggle to free the Scottsboro boys and Angelo Herndon; and the struggle against the sharecropping system, lynchings, the poll tax and disfranchisement is carrying through to a logical conclusion the unfinished task of the Civil War and the Reconstruction Era.

"We vow to you, Comrade

Browder, to work unceasingly, untiringly to complete the tasks that history has placed before us.

"We will work to unify an anti-imperialist, anti-monopolist Negro People's movement.

"We will work to forge the unity of Negro and white toilers against the reactionary Wall Street-Roosevelt war and hunger budget; and for peace, jobs, civil rights and the unconditional liberation of the Negro people.

"As the only guarantee for the carrying through of our program, we pledge to build the Communist Party into an impregnable fortress.

"We salute you, Comrade Browder, and will work for the defense of you and Comrade Wiener and the defense of the Communist Party against the enemies of the American people.



EARL BROWDER

"We extend a sincere and comradely invitation to you to attend a banquet in your honor, March 10, 1940.

"Comradely yours, ROMANIA FERGUSON, Chm. 'Browder Defense Rally.'

Martyrs Are Made Under Double Police Guard



This is the scene outside Wilton Green Prison, Birmingham, England, when British hangmen sent two Irishmen, Peter Barnes and James Richards, to the gallows. The notice on the door tells of the execution as a double guard stands over those who read it—friends of the doomed patriots who had come to stand silently outside the prison gates as the trap was sprung.

Toohey, Flynn Speak Tonight on Ireland

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and Pat Toohey will address a mass meeting in protest against the recent execution of two leaders of the Irish Republican Army tonight at 8 P. M. at James Connolly Hall, 295 W. 106th St.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the James Connolly Branch of the Communist Party.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, was a friend and

co-worker of James Connolly when he was in the United States.

Pat Toohey is an outstanding leader of the Communist Party for many years.

William Browder will preside at the meeting.

Urge Seamen Attend Irish Meeting Feb. 29

"Seamen are coming to hear Elizabeth Gurley Flynn speak against the oppression of Ireland by Chamberlain and Churchill next Thursday night (Feb. 29)," said Al Lannon, organizer of the waterfront.

front section of the Communist Party, last night.

Miss Flynn will speak at Public School No. 11, on W. 21st St., between Eighth and Ninth Avenues, at a mass protest meeting called in protest at the hanging of Peter

Barnes and James Richards, Irish Republican Army men, in Birmingham.

"Seamen," said Lannon, hate imperialism. They believe in the freedom of the Irish and all other oppressed peoples."

Furniture Workers Walk Out in B'klyn.

Thirty-five workers of the Imperial Reed and Fibre Furniture Co., of 50 Central Ave., Brooklyn, walked out on strike yesterday morning under the leadership of the Furniture Workers' Union, Local 76-B, CIO.

They are demanding a closed shop, a 40-hour week, and increased wages.

Wheeler-Hill Bund Leader, Is Sentenced

Sentenced Up to 3 Years On Charges of Perjury In Kuhn Case

James Wheeler-Hill, former national secretary of the German-American Bund, was sentenced yesterday to an indeterminate term in the city penitentiary for perjury himself before a legislative committee and before the Commissioner of Jurors.

The sentence imposed in special sessions means that Wheeler-Hill must spend up to three years in prison.

The Bundsman and one-time

lieutenant of Fritz Kuhn, leader of the Bund, admitted that he swore falsely that he was an American citizen. A third charge growing out of his testimony in the trial in which Kuhn was convicted of Grand Larceny was dismissed.

Kuhn is in Dannemora Prison in upper New York State. Serving a 2 and a half to 5-year sentence. The probation report revealed that although Wheeler-Hill received only \$30 and then \$40 a week from the Bund in 1938 and 1939 he was able to deposit \$5,000 in the bank during that time.

Fire Guts Three Blocks In Massachusetts Town

GREENFIELD, Mass., Feb. 21 (UP).—Three business blocks and the old central fire station were destroyed by fire early today. Damage was estimated unofficially at more than \$175,000.

NMU Presses Misconduct Charge on 'Flint' Captain

Asks Secretary Hopkins to Investigate Serious Accusations Regarding Skipper's Conduct Toward Crew While in Murmansk, Tromsøe

The National Maritime Union appealed yesterday to Secretary of Commerce Harry L. Hopkins to order an investigation of its charges of misconduct against Capt. Joseph Gainard of the American freighter City of Flint.

In a letter to Hopkins, William L. Standard, NMU attorney, said that Commander R. S. Field, director of the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation, had returned the union's charges without consideration because they were "embodied in affidavits of a chief cook and a messboy."

According to Standard, Commander Field has no authority under the law to summarily dismiss charges brought against any seaman, licensed or unlicensed, without an investigation or a hearing.

He quoted the law relating to misconduct (46 U.S.C.A. 239, subsection b) which provides that charges "shall be investigated by a marine board, consisting of representatives of the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation, designated by the Director thereof."

Which compared the haste with which the crew of the American Trader were brought to trial as a result of a phone call from the skipper last September when they struck for war risk compensation with the reluctance of Commander Field even to consider charges against Gainard contained in sworn statements by crew members.

Affidavits originally submitted to Commander Field charged:

1. That Captain Gainard failed to take the necessary measures to obtain a release of the crew of the S.S. City of Flint, while the vessel was in the neutral port of Tromsøe, Norway. His failure was particularly reprehensible because in that very same port, the British crew of the S. S. Stonegate, also prisoners of the prize crew, was released.

In exonerating Captain Gainard, Commander Field states that efforts were made to locate & consult at Bergen and at Oslo, without success. Assuming that such efforts were made, it seems incredible that Captain Gainard, who found it possible to call Washington, D. C. from Montevideo, for instructions during a labor dispute, did not have the presence of mind to call Washington on this occasion.

2. The affidavits further charges that when the American flag was raised to the mast of the vessel in Murmansk, U.S.S.R., Captain Gainard refused to leave the port unless an American convoy was furnished to him.

Commander Field, in exonerating Captain Gainard for his behavior in Murmansk, makes no reference to the allegations in the affidavits of Captain Gainard's demand for a convoy.

If such demand had been made, Mr. Standard charged, only one conclusion could be drawn, and that is that Captain Gainard had an opportunity to sail at least at one time while in the port of Murmansk.



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Dodge Workers Get 3 Million for Time Lost in Strike

Referee's Ruling Affects 27,000 Indirectly Involved in 54-Day Lockout and Subsequent Strike at Plants

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Feb. 21.—Although the Michigan Unemployment Compensation Commission had ruled that none of the workers made idle by the great 54-day strike of the United Auto Workers Union (CIO) were eligible for benefits, a referee for the Commission today awarded nearly \$3,000,000 to 27,000 workers who were indirectly involved.

Republic Steel Violence Told At Hearing

CIO Charges Unionists Were Beaten, 'Marched' Out of Plant

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 21 (UP).—Six former Republic Steel Corporation employees testifying that they were beaten by company police at a National Labor Relations Board hearing yesterday on unfair labor practice charges brought by the CIO Steel Workers' Organizing Committee.

The former employees, all of whom were active in the SWOC's 1937 organizing campaign, said that they were assaulted and spied upon before and after attending union meetings.

Gus Richute, a former department inspector, said he was "marched out" of the plant because of his CIO affiliation.

Workers School To Hear Martel On 'Labor and War'

A detailed analysis of the position of the labor movement with regard to the problems arising out of the war situation will be given by Harry Martel, faculty member of the Workers School and Educational Director of the Fur Dressers and Dyers Joint Board, at the Workers School forum this Saturday afternoon at 2:45 P. M. at Irving Plaza, East 15th St. and Irving Place.

Martel, whose topic will be "Labor and the War," will discuss the changes that have taken place in the labor movement since the last World War, and the existing evidence of strong anti-war sentiments in the American labor movement.

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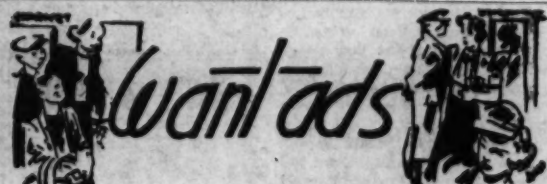
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Oaks From Washington's Grave Grow in USSR as Symbols of Respect for Liberator

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American independence, Yuzefovich said:

"Washington is unquestionably a very striking figure in the history of the struggle for independence. His inexhaustible energy, his outstanding organizational abilities, his steadfastness, his unshakable faith in final victory to combine defensive tactics with guerrilla methods of warfare and to carry through offensive tactics as well, place Washington among the outstanding military leaders, among the leading statesmen and political personalities of his period.

"We can never forget that Washington was the leader of a war which Lenin called 'one of those great really liberating and really revolutionary wars.'

"Washington was not always able to rise above the interests of his class; frequently he vacillated between the camp of the conservatives and the camp of the democrats. In the latter days of his life, he found himself more and more under the influence of Hamilton and leaned towards the Federalists.

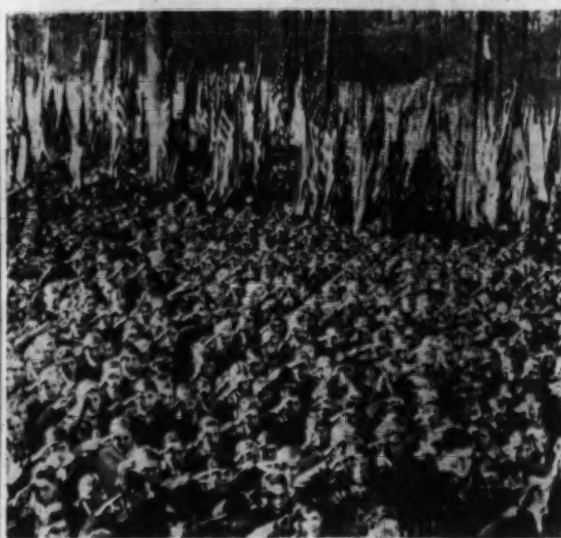
"But he always remained an irreconcilable enemy of the monarchist reaction, an ardent patriot of his country and a republican, although he was not a representative of the revolutionary wing of the democratic camp, whose outstanding leaders were Jefferson, Paine, Shays and others. "Soviet university students sympathize not with Hamilton, who headed the monarchist and reactionary political tendencies of the ultra-conservative circles, but with the revolutionary democrat, Thomas Jefferson.

"They likewise admire the leading fighters for the ideals of liberty and democracy who hurried to the assistance of America from France, Germany, England and other countries, and fought in the front ranks of the American Revolution."

REFUSED AID TO BRITISH

Speaking of tsarist Russia's attitude to the war for independence, he said, "The Empress Catherine II declined to grant the request of the English King, George III, to send Russian troops to throttle the American Revolution. The true reason for her refusal, which was couched in very fine diplomatic expressions, must not be looked for, of course, in sympathies of Catherine II for the Americans, but in the fact that her liberty of action was restricted to a large extent by the insurrection of Pugachev [a wide and powerful peasant revolt] in Russia.

"In fact, tsarist Russia was one of the last to recognize America's independence. After vain efforts to obtain an audience with the Empress, the American representative, Dana, returned empty-handed. The English Ambas-



PENNSYLVANIA BOY SCOUTS PAY TRIBUTE TO WASHINGTON AT VALLEY Forge. Scene at the historic site of the Winter encampment of the Continental Army as 6,000 Boy Scouts of Delaware and Montgomery counties, members of the Valley Forge Council, massed to salute the memory of George Washington.

sador in Petersburg, Harris, succeeded in paralyzing every effort made by Dana.

"But the best progressive people in Russia during that period sided with the American people."

These brief remarks by Prof. Yuzefovich on Washington and the American Revolution are characteristic of the sympathetic and penetrating approach of Soviet science to all questions concerning the history and the achievements of all peoples.

Soviet Premier Vyacheslav Molotov stated in his speech in the Bolshoi Theatre on the occasion of the 22nd anniversary of the October Revolution, "We Bolsheviks... value and love the glorious deeds recorded in the history of our people as well as those of all other peoples. We know well that real progress, which is possible only on the basis of socialism, must rest upon the entire history of the peoples and upon all their achievements in past ages, that it must reveal the true meaning of the history of the peoples, in order fully to insure the glorious future of one's own people and, together with it, the bright future of all peoples."

CIO Opposes 'Alien' Bills Before Senate

Pressman Condemns Bill As Blow to 'Fair Play And Justice'

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at today's hearings before the Immigration Subcommittee.

ISSERMAN TESTIFIES

Abraham J. Isserman, labor attorney who testified on behalf of the National Emergency Conference on Democratic Rights which is headed by Professor Franz Boas, declared that his organization is concerned primarily with the effect the Dempsey bill would have on "restricting activity of citizens."

Isserman declared that the Dempsey bill would hamper at every point the activities of trade unions and fraternal societies which contain non-citizens as members.

He said that any legislative proposals by these groups would make the non-citizens liable to immediate deportation.

Differing with representatives for several groups who recommended changes in the wording of the bill, Isserman declared that no revisions in the "language or form" of the measure could alter its fundamental purpose.

Floyd Laporte, chairman of the Committee on Federal Legislation of the New York City Bar Association, also appeared in opposition to the bill.

"We do not believe that it is wise legislative policy to penalize freedom of political belief or political expression as this bill proposes to do," Laporte said.

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WORKERS ALLIANCE MARKS APRIL 6 AS PEACE DAY

Baltimore Unions Sell 'Yanks' Anti-War Tract

CIO Council Pushes 'Yanks Are Not Coming' Drive; Sells 1,000 Pamphlets, Schedules Mass Meeting for Curran

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Feb. 21.—It was reported at the last meeting of the Baltimore Industrial Union Council that of 1,500 copies of the popular West Coast pamphlet, "The Yanks Are Not Coming," 1,000 were promptly ordered by local unions and the remaining 500 will be sold in the very near future.

Judge Refuses Union Writ On Hutcheson

Harry Sacher, attorney for Local 2000, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, announced yesterday the ruling of Supreme Court Justice Koch deciding against the local's suit for an order restraining International President William Hutcheson from enforcing union referendum in 1937 based on fraudulent count of the vote.

The only reason the judge gave for his ruling is that the union had failed in 18 months to serve a subpoena upon Hutcheson who for that very reason kept clear of New York.

The suit seeks to enjoin Hutcheson from revoking the local's charter because it fought his appointed national election board declared carried. Thorough documentary evidence the local obtained from nearly 200 carpenters locals throughout the country, it was discovered that the national election committee declared a "victory" for the Hutcheson forces by the mere device of switching votes against the referendum proposals in their favor.

Judge Koch sharply criticized Hutcheson for evading service of a subpoena, carried around by hundreds of carpenters who sought an

opportunity to hand it to him. The service upon the Carpenters District Council here, he said, is not sufficient, since the Council is dominated by Hutcheson's office.

"It seems that the actual vote," said Justice Koch, "if honestly counted was insufficient to adopt the amendment, and in order to make it appear as though the amendments were adopted, the tabulating committee reversed or 'switched' the votes of several locals which had voted against the amendments."

"Laudable and commendable as the purpose of the amendments may have been," the decision said, "if the amendments were not adopted by the membership they could not be foisted upon it by the fraudulent, dishonest and tyrannical methods employed to make it appear that the amendments were adopted. Nor can the conduct of the local in complaining of the fraud justify the revocation of its charter."

Backs Move by Maritime Union Here to Mark Anniversary of War

The New York State Executive Board of the Workers' Alliance unanimously endorsed April 6 as peace day in answer to the appeal of the National Maritime Union of America.

Calling upon all members to participate, a statement issued yesterday by the State Executive Board pointed out:

April sixth is the anniversary of the entry of the U. S. into the last World War, a war presumably fought to save democracy. It is a matter of bitter knowledge that instead it resulted in more denial of democracy to the people than before the war. We were promised a greater share of the wealth. We got uninvolved unemployment and misery. The tremendous loss of life and limb suffered by millions of young people was supposed to be for the purpose of ending all wars. Those who made fabulous profits out of the last war are again those who are directing the behind the scenes movements to drag up into this war. The same false propaganda appeals are being cultivated to drag the people.

"Democracy—Liberty—Humanity—Poor little Belgium in 1917—Poor little Finland in 1940—Poor little Mergan..."

"Loans are being given to warring nations while the unemployed starve here. Huge sums are being spent for armaments while steep cuts are being made in relief appropriations. The unemployed want work, not war, bread, not battleships..."

The State Executive Board of the Workers' Alliance called on all its locals to hold demonstrations or mass meetings on April 6 under the slogan of "We Want Work—Not War."

Two Workers Die in Elkton Factory Blast

13 Others Injured When Fireworks Plant Blows Up

ELKTON, Md., Feb. 21 (UP).—Mysterious explosions at the fireworks plant of Triumph Explosives, Inc., near here today resulted in two deaths and injury of 13 other persons.

The men killed were identified as Charles Gatchell of Elkton and Edward Kneese of Glasgow, Del. Kneese was burned to death. Gatchell died a few hours after he was found in a burned shack.

None of the 13 injured—including two women workers—was harmed seriously.

Survives 12,000-Volts DOVER, N. H. (UP).—Irving Young, a Concord power company inspector, came in contact with 12,000 volts of electricity—but only suffered burned hands and wrists.

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Geery Held Big Insurance On His Partner

District Attorney Says Geery, Suicide, Held \$150,000 Policy

District Attorney Dewey revealed yesterday that John T. Geery possessed an insurance policy of \$150,000 on the life of his business partner, Milton B. Logan.

Logan, in Bellevue Hospital with a fractured skull, told police that Geery had hired an assassin to kill him.

Geery committed suicide the same day that the assault was made on Logan.

Both men had been associated as heads of the American Art Association-Anderson Galleries, and both were under indictment on a \$65,000 fraud.

Logan told police that last Monday he and Geery got into the car of John Poggi, a newsdealer, with Poggi in the back seat. When they reached East River drive near Sixth Street, Logan claims, Poggi struck him from behind with a lead-weighted pipe. Logan fell out of the car, which drove away with the two men. He was found by police and taken to the hospital with a cracked skull.

Geery shot himself to death in his home that evening. Poggi is being held by police.

Robt. Raven To Speak in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—Robert Raven, who was blinded while fighting for the International Brigade in Spain, will be the featured speaker at a Memorial Meeting to be held Friday, Feb. 23, 8:30 P.M., at the Stephen Girard Hotel, 2027 Chestnut St., under the auspices of the Philadelphia Post, Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

The meeting will honor the memories of the 45 men from Eastern Pennsylvania who were killed while fighting for the Spanish Democratic Republic.

It will also protest the recent raids by the FBI on the homes of 16 Detroit people sympathetic to the Spanish Republic, and the arrest of 12 of them under a rusty law dating back to 1818.

The Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade will celebrate the release of these people as a tremendous victory for the progressive forces of America.

Robert Raven is a former Pittsburgh medical student, whose blindness has not stopped him effectively fighting for peace in America. His qualities were recognized by the people of New York who elected him a member of the New York County Executive Committee of the American Labor Party.

Group Urges Free California Labor Martyrs

Declares King, Ramsey And Connor Are Innocent

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., 21 (ICN).—The Academic and Civil Rights Council of California, voice of conscience in the professional world, spoke out today demanding release of three labor martyrs now in San Quentin prison.

The council recommended that the application for a pardon for Earl King, Ernest G. Ramsey and Frank J. Connor, which is now in the hands of state authorities, be granted immediately, on the grounds the men are innocent. The committee is sponsored by Professors John B. Canning, Harold Chapman Brown, and Holland D. Roberts and by Rev. Edgar A. Lowther and Rabbi Saul E. White.

The executive committee of the Academic and Civil Rights Council revealed today it had "investigated the King, Ramsey and Connor case and reached the conclusion that the men are innocent of the crime of which they are charged."

'Painless' Banned From Dental Ads

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—No matter how painless a job is turned out at the dental emporiums, Oregon dentists were ordered not to advertise the fact along with other stringent regulations adopted by the State Board of Dental Examiners.

The board stated that the regulations would eliminate "unprofessional conduct."

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The committee contends that these men were arrested during the period of 1936 when employers were making every effort to discredit militant labor organizations.

"It is our feeling that the conviction of King, Ramsey and Connor was an intent blow to the labor movement and constitutes a direct threat to civil liberties," said Mr. Edward Gallagher, chairman of the executive committee.

Fur Union Leaders Ousted Lepke, Gurrah, Jury Told

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ers lie in their graves today, the racketeers who caused their death and were convicted, are still free and will be used as government witnesses in this case.

That the very basis for Gold's leadership in the fur union was the revolt of the rank and file against domination of the organization by racketeers.

The defense presentation came after Berkley W. Henderson, Special Assistant Attorney General, stated the government's case giving very little indication on what he specifically intends to prove. There was an attempt by Henderson, however, to infer that the defendants are somehow connected with the reign of terror in the fur industry in 1931-33.

AVOIDS GANGSTERS NAMES

Henderson avoided mention of the names Louis (Lepke) Buchalter and Jacob (Gurrah) Shapiro and of others who were so prominently connected with the terror nor did he mention a single of the employers organizations that were formed jointly with the gangsters.

This, Boudin charged, significantly shows how the government fears to go over a ground which proves that the defendants were really the principal victims of the real criminals.

cialist leader supported by the Jewish Daily Forward, dominated the organization as president. He described how a revolt developed against the racketeering practices of the Kaufman machine and how Ben Gold was its leader.

Boudin characterized the division in the union as one of "collaborators" (with the employers) and "non-collaborators."

He developed the internal fight to 1927 when a definite split occurred with each side claiming to be the International Union, finally culminating in the formation of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, Independent, of which the fur workers became a part.

RECALCS RABBIT SKIN RACKET

He then described how in 1930, Kaufman, for the skeleton organization which held the A. F. of L. charter; Abraham Beckerman, ousted racketeer and dictator over the Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers; jointly with Samuel Mittleman and Oscar Yeager of the manufacturers, formed a rabbit dressers racketeering association, to dominate the field, set prices, and use the A. F. of L. union to force manufacturers into line. To force workers into the A. F. of L. union and manufacturers into the association, a "slugging" department was formed, at first, under the direction of a notorious gangster Jerry Solomon.

But it was a year later, when Hilquit stepped into the picture, that real punch was put behind

the scheme. Beckerman was put in charge of the slugging department and immediately drew in the services of Lepke and Gurrah, with whom he had dealt previously.

Beckerman, Boudin observed, as Hilquit was, is "quite a high class gentleman." He was the running mate of the Socialist leader and won an aldermanic post twice. The services of Lepke and Gurrah were in their days "the best that money could buy." Boudin added, and quickly won the "respect" of hold-outs among the manufacturers.

The racketeers had a two-fold purpose: "to slug manufacturers into the association and to slug every worker of our union into Kaufman's organization," Boudin told the court.

REAL LEADERS OF LABOR

"But these union leaders were doing their job," said Boudin, pointing to those being tried, "honestly and organizing the workers, as labor leaders should."

"They are on trial here because they have succeeded in driving Lepke and Gurrah out of the fur business."

Boudin then described the next step of the racketeers, when they sought to grab the manufacturing division of the industry in which Gold's Independent union had 98 per cent of the organized workers. They moved to force the Independent union to "cooperate." Mittleman called in Irving Potash, and called upon him to do so. Potash

flatly refused. Thereupon Mittleman invited them to a conference with "Mr. Shapiro" (Gurrah) which the union leader also refused.

THE LANGER MURDER

The answer soon came. Morris Langer, manager of the Dresser's department of the Independent union, was killed by a bomb planted under the seat of his automobile, on March 23, 1933, as he was about to take his little girl to school.

Shortly afterward, a gang armed with guns and knives, invaded the union's headquarters and, Brodsky said, "cut up everyone that was there. And when the smoke cleared two were killed and many were injured."

On the very night of the raid upon the union headquarters, Brodsky stressed, Potash was at the office of then District Attorney Medalle, pleading that action be taken. The union vainly appealed to then Attorney General Homer Cummings, Senator Wagner and others in an effort to get action.

Boudin reminded the court that originally the grand jury handed down three indictments. One against employers and Lepke and Gurrah; another against the employers, the Kaufman union and Lepke and Gurrah (both of which were already tried) and the remaining one aimed solely against the fur union.

"There is not even a claim in the indictment that these defend-

dants had any association with the Lepke and Gurrah gangsters," Boudin said.

"These men are being tried here for organizing the union. The three defendants Irving Potash, Sam Burt and Julius West, 'took their lives in their hands and testified against Lepke and Gurrah," Boudin said. "It was on their testimony that they were convicted," he added.

RACKETEERS OUSTED

As a result of the fact that the gangsters were driven out of the industry and the workers were organized by Gold's union, unity included even the small remnant of the Kaufman union was possible in 1935, "and they have been living peacefully with the employers ever since," Boudin declared.

Boudin and Brodsky repeatedly reminded the jury that those are no longer disputed facts since they have been fully brought out in the two previous trials.

The prosecution ran into trouble with its first witness, Julius Bernfeld, of Brickner and Bernfeld, largest dealer in rabbit skins. Mr. Bernfeld was ostensibly called to answer only a few questions establishing that the industry is engaged in interstate commerce. But Mr. Bernfeld had only one eye, behind which was the very story that the defense brought out. He refused to deal with the racketeers on their terms, and one day acid was thrown into his face.

Brodsky, upon cross examination, over continual protests of Henderson brought out just how he did lose his eyes. In demanding the right to question the witness as they did, the defense lawyers pointed out that the victimized manufacturer was brought up as a witness to leave an impression with the jury that the loss of his eye is somehow traced to the door of the defendants.

The trial will resume at 10:30 A. M. tomorrow. Before the trial began yesterday, the number of defendants were brought down to 25 from the original 28. Louis Mendelbaum, turned states witness, pleaded guilty. J. Balounis, expelled from the union for collusion with Greek manufacturers to form a company union, was granted a separate trial, and Louis Hyman who was indicted because he was general president of the Needle Workers Industrial Union in 1933, was separated from the case.

The defense lawyers brought out that the prosecution asked a separate trial for Balounis because Henderson wanted him to be a government witness without pleading guilty. They argued that all the other defendants could claim separation, giving, as an example the remote connection Hyman had to the affairs of the furriers. Henderson readily jumped up at the opportunity to join in a motion for a separate trial for Hyman, but refused to agree similarly on other cases.

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Republicans In Albany Push Budget Slash

Fiscal Group Meets on Reduction Despite People's Protests

ALBANY, Feb. 21. — The reactionary Republican fiscal policy committee met today to push plans for a reduction of Gov. Lehman's \$396,700,000 budget, despite the sharp protest against any reduction made only recently by thousands of unionists and other citizens in their historic "march" on the State Capitol.

With the Governor's supplemental appropriation bill expected this week, the committee, appointed by Republican leaders yesterday, planned:

1. To determine the "temper of the Legislature" on the question of passing or "reducing" the budget.

2. Draw up a Republican Party plan for reductions.

Meanwhile the Senate and Assembly taxation committees "weighed demands" for the passage of the Coudert-Mitchell bill reducing the present stock transfer tax, which is sponsored by the New York City Merchants' Association, the State Real Estate Association, and William McMartin, president of the New York Stock Exchange.

E. W. Edwards, secretary of the State Federation of Labor told the committee that the A. F. of L. would not support any revision of the stock transfer law if it required a reduction in the state budget.

The Republicans pushed their fight to eliminate the \$15,000,000 personal income tax boost called for in Gov. Lehman's budget proposals and were planning some drastic "substitution" that probably would throw the burden on the backs of the poor. This maneuver was seen in the fact that the Republican committee members were considering a "substitute" tax, the identity of which was withheld "to prevent the pressure groups from becoming active," meaning undoubtedly, the unions and the lower income tax payers.

Introduction of bills in the Legislature, meanwhile, continued today at a rapid pace.

The Assembly has received 1,620 bills thus far, a mark which was not set until March 2 last year. The Senate had 1,288 bills, a mark not equaled until March 7 a year ago.

B'klyn Youth Get 2-4 Years for Breaking Jail

Four Brooklyn youths were given two-to-four year terms in Sing Sing prison yesterday for breaking out of Queens County jail while awaiting trial on robbery and burglary charges. They will face trial on the former charges after completing their sentences.

The four, who were recaptured 48 hours after their break, were Peter J. Sweeney, 20, of 1618 46th St.; George D'Antonio, 19, of 411 38th St.; Michael Tribio, 17, of 649 Third Ave.; and Silvio J. Mazzi, 17, of 376 Pacific Ct., all Brooklyn.

Sentence was pronounced by County Judge Thomas Downs in Long Island City.

Nation Pays Tribute to Washington, Whose Birthday Is Today



College Head Protests Bill Against Aliens

Dr. Neilson Says Dampsey Measure Is Menace To American Liberty

In a telegram to the Subcommittee of the Senate Immigration Committee holding public hearings on the Dampsey Deportation Bill, Dr. William Allan Neilson, president emeritus of Smith College and Co-Chairman of the Committee of 100 Sponsors for the Fourth Annual Conference of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, yesterday requested the Subcommittee to report the bill unfavorably "because of its unconstitutional and un-American features."

The Dampsey Bill, H.R. 4860, which was passed by the House without debate or roll call, provides for the deportation of non-citizens who believe in or belong to an organization that advocates "any change in the American form of government." Committee officials stated that such measures as the Wagner Health Program or the Child Labor Amendment, as well as other measures of vital importance to the welfare of the American people, could be so interpreted.

The fourth annual conference of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born will be held at the Hotel Annapolis, Washington, D. C., on March 2 and 3.

Council Called to Ask State Aid for Schools

Majority, Minority Factions Wrangling Over Charges of Political Maneuvering In School Crisis Issue

A special meeting of the City Council to act on a resolution requesting the State Legislature to restore full state aid for education to New York City was called for tomorrow at 1 P. M. by Newbold Morris, Council President, yesterday. The Council call followed a session of the municipal legislative body held on Tuesday in which the Democratic majority tabled the educational aid resolution which was introduced by the minority.

Charges and counter charges were exchanged following the meeting. Both majority and minority members asserted the other side was trying to make political capital out of the school crisis.

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REVERSES STAND

Meanwhile, the committee on state legislation amended the resolution to include the names of all the councilmen.

Acting Vice-Chairman Joseph T. Sharkey, who had helped table the minority resolution, announced yesterday afternoon he had requested Mr. Morris to call the special meeting on Friday.

Following a conference with Genevieve B. Earle, Minority Leader, Mr. Morris issued the call.

Newark Labor Defeats City Manager Plan

Chamber of Commerce Backed Plan to Choke Unions

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NEWARK, Feb. 21.—Voters of this city went to the polls yesterday in a special referendum and decisively defeated the Chamber of Commerce supported city-manager plan of municipal government.

Labor circles, both the CIO and A. F. of L. cheered the final returns of the balloting, and it was admitted in political circles that it was the activities of the labor groups, which brought about the voters' rejection to substitute the commission form of government which has been in existence here since 1917.

Backing the fight of labor against the efforts of big business interests to strangle the city government in its grip were many other progressive organizations in the city, including the Communist Party.

CIO HAILS VICTORY

The CIO, following the count of ballots, declared through its state headquarters here:

"The rejection of the Chamber of Commerce sponsored city-manager plan is a victory for democracy. Labor wants even more democracy in its city government and will continue to fight for more."

"The effect of labor's unity on this issue was decisive. Such unity should be furthered in other struggles now, for civil rights, for increased relief and in defense of the Wagner Act."

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 21 (UP).—Voters defeated a proposal to substitute for the city commission form of government a city council-city manager in yesterday's referendum.

Bad weather caused a light ballot.

Cadden to Speak In Boston on Youth Congress

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, Feb. 21.—Joseph Cadden, executive secretary of the American Youth Congress, will deliver a report on the recent Citizenship Institute, held in Washington, at Faneuil Hall on Friday evening, Feb. 23.

The public meeting will be held under the auspices of the Massachusetts Youth Council, which will present a program for passage of the American Youth Act and for popularization of the slogan "The Yanks Are Not Coming."

Other speakers will include Clive Knowles, Massachusetts organizer of Labor's Non-Partisan League, and Nathaniel Mills, Jr., chairman of the Youth Council.

The Harvard Student Union will present scenes from the anti-war play "Bury the Dead."

Cashier Gets Sing Sing Sentence for Theft

Roy G. Albright, former cashier who pleaded guilty to stealing \$25,220 from the John X. Trommer Brewery and losing it in betting on race horses, was sentenced to a two to six year term in Sing Sing prison yesterday by Kings County Judge Edwin L. Garvin.

To Nominate 1940 Choice In Philadelphia

Milwaukee, St. Paul Also Push Election Drive Activities

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21.—The State Nominating Convention of the Communist Party will open here Saturday evening, Feb. 24, at 8 P. M. with a public mass meeting at which William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Party, Peter V. Cacchione, New York Communist leader, and Sam Adams Darcy, Pennsylvania State Secretary, will be the main speakers.

The convention will name candidates for President and Vice President of the United States U. S. Senator, State Treasurer and Auditor General.

A campaign to secure 30,000 signatures on nominating petitions, twice the number legally required, will be launched.

The convention will be held at Musical Fund Hall, 810 Locust St. A second public session will be held Sunday, Feb. 25, at 12 noon, when Sam Darcy will make a political report on the problems faced in the coming elections.

Delegates will be present from every part of the state.

MILWAUKEE ELECTION BANQUET

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 21.—A banquet for election campaign workers who collected 3,080 signatures to place the name of Fred Bassett Blair on the ballot as the Communist candidate for mayor will be held Saturday, Feb. 24, at 8 P. M. at the Jewish Workers Center, 1037 W. Walnut Street.

The number of signatures filed was 800 more than legally required. Fifty campaign workers will be honored at the banquet with special honors going to Ray Ditch, veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, who collected over 300 signatures single-handedly. Ten others, including two more veterans, will get prizes for collecting more than 100 signatures each.

Blair is conducting a vigorous campaign on a platform of peace, liberty and prosperity, with demands for jobs, relief and housing for the people. He is opposing three reactionary candidates. Primary election will be held on March 12.

ST. PAUL C. P. FILES

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ST. PAUL, Feb. 21.—Announcing a platform of peace, jobs and civil liberties, and full equality for the Negro people, Rose Tillotson and Robert Turner today filed as candidates of the Communist Party for the offices of Mayor and Councilman, respectively.

Mrs. Tillotson is secretary of the Communist Party of Ramsey County, and Turner is a Negro member of the Party's Executive Committee.

An election campaign committee of fifty members has been set up under the direction of Wilbur S. Broms, leader of the Young Communist League and campaign manager for the candidates.

In a statement, the candidates said "we want peace, jobs and civil liberties in St. Paul as the working people do in the entire nation. We stand for equality of Negroes with other nationalities in securing jobs, decent housing facilities, and a slum clearance program that will bring modern homes into working-class districts. We call for the enforcement of civil rights measures that will abolish segregation against any section of the population."

The best defense of Browder is to make his works known to the people. Give the "Browder Library" as a gift!

New Device Puts Out Plane Engine Fires

Civil Aeronautics Authority Perfects Gadget Which Smothers Blaze from Start; Pilot Controls It from Plane's Cockpit

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (UP).—Civil Aeronautics Authority engineers announced today perfection of a device to combat one of aviation's dreaded perils—aircraft engine fires.

With the device a pilot will be able to know immediately when a fire has broken out in an engine compartment and extinguish it in a few seconds without leaving the plane's controls.

For more than four months, the CAA aeronautical research engineers have been experimenting in a small wooden structure near the National Bureau of Standards. Because they have set 178 fires in carrying on their work, persons living nearby have called the place "Pyromaniac's Paradise."

They demonstrated the efficiency of their device outdoors to a small group of officials, using a 900-horsepower airplane engine mounted in a small section of wing housed above

Michigan A. F. L. Endorses Negro Congress Call

Resolution of Unanimous Support Hails Plea of Negro Group for Unity With White Labor In Struggle Against Reaction

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Feb. 21.—Unanimous endorsement to the forthcoming Third National Negro Congress was voted here at the annual convention of the Michigan State Federation of Labor representing 65,000 unionists.

The Call for the Congress, which will be held in Washington in the auditorium of the United States Department of Labor on April 26, 27 and 28, was mailed to thousands of organizations throughout the country last week.

The Call stated that the job of the Congress is "to unite the Negro people as never before in a struggle to beat back the attacks upon us. Our job is to join with the great labor movement and the many progressive minded white Americans in a combined effort to defend democracy in America. We are not just beginning this job. The first and second congresses have shown America that through unity real victories can be won for the Negro people. We need more such victories. And we will win them through unity."

Infant Deaths Hit New Low In N. Y. State

Decline in Fatalities From Most Diseases Shown in Report

ALBANY, Feb. 21 (UP). — The state health department reported today a "striking improvement" in infant mortality rates during 1939 and revealed sharp declines in deaths from nearly all communicable diseases.

The department said in its annual report to the Legislature, that the birth rate, lowest in history with one exception, "has practically touched bottom."

Due largely to increased mortality from heart disease, the total death rate from all causes was 10.9 per 1,000 population, a one per cent increase over the all-time minimum established in 1938. The updated death rate of 12 per 1,000 was the lowest on record, the department said.

Birth mortality declined 44 per cent compared with the 1915 rates, while deaths of babies one month old decreased 73 per cent. The maternal mortality rate dropped from 363 per 100,000 population in 1938 to 255 in 1939, the report said. It credited much of the decrease to the use of sulphanilamide.

Death rates from typhoid and scarlet fever, diphtheria and pneumonia were never lower and sharp declines were noted in cases of whooping cough, measles, and cerebro-spinal meningitis. No typhoid epidemics due to milk or water contamination were reported during the year.

A slight increase was revealed in pneumonia cases, due to more complete reporting by physicians, the department said. The death rate from syphilis remained practically the same, totalling 9.2 per 1,000 population.

Long Machine Loses in La. Reform Vote

Huey's Brother Goes Down in Overwhelming Defeat

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 21 (UP). — Swept to victory on a wave of rural votes which swamped the state dictatorship founded by Huey Long, 42-year-old Sam Houston Jones will become governor of Louisiana on May 14, and have his chance to make good on a pledge to "drive the rascals out of office."

Late returns from the run-off primary assured the Lake Charles lawyer of the Democratic nomination for Governor, the equivalent of election in this state. His opponent was Gov. Earl K. Long, younger brother and political heir of the assassinated "Kingfish."

Unofficial returns from 1,627 of 1,703 precincts gave Jones 276,396 votes and Long 254,914.

The spearhead of Jones' first statewide political campaign was a promise to "rid the state of political crooks from top to bottom."

By a quirk of politics which boomeranged on the dynasty founded 12 years ago by the late Senator Long, the newly-elected governor gained the power to do just that, or virtually whatever else his fancy might dictate. The laws Long dictated are on the books. The power they convey will go to Jones, to be used as he sees fit in the execution of his campaign pledges. They included \$3 automobile licenses, \$20 a month old age pensions, free hot lunches and supplies for school children, homestead exemptions free of physical favoritism, and local government free of administration molestation.

The election was a spine-cracking blow to the long machine, already harassed by exposure of scandal and prosecution for Federal offenses.

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Is Freedom of the Press in Jeopardy?

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WE USUALLY think it's just a compliment when we're told we "look like a picture" but actually every time we sling something together in the way of an outfit on the frame we are making a picture.

Now when an artist makes a picture on canvas he has complete freedom of choice as to the colors he uses. After he starts the only thing he has to worry about in the color field is the correct relation of the colors to each other. He starts in a clean surface with no handicaps to freedom.

In choosing clothes however we already have something that has to be taken into consideration before colors are used. Your hair, your skin, and to a lesser degree, the color of your eyes, cannot be ignored if you don't want to look like something snatched at random from the grabbag.

That is the one part of the problem, the other is finding the right colors to combine apart from their relation to your hair, skin, and eyes.

So let's get some idea about what will make the best of the colors you have already in your face. If you will take a mirror to the window on a grey morning it will not be hard to find out if you have yellow, red or brown predominating in your face. Look carefully at the shadows around your eyes. Are they blue, brown, greenish brown or reddish brown?

Then give yourself a strictly impersonal once-over and decide if you



Brenda Marshall brings the elegance of the Victorian era up to date in her long-sleeved formal frock of primrose yellow satin damask. The long molded waistline meets the skirt in a point, and hoops accentuate the graceful hips.

are one of those rare and lucky ones with fine close-grained skins or if "modern civilization" has graced you with fairly open pores

and the grainy skin that overwork, fatigue and hurry usually leave. If yellow lurks in your skin, as it generally does, don't put yellow browns, mustard greys or light straight blues around it, nor bright reds. Instead, sharp yellow greens, wines, soft greens, deep blues, and black and white with the right shade of high, light lipstick and rouge will pull your skin tones into the right relation to form a pleasant picture.

Texture of materials in relation to your skin and hair is important too. If your skin is a little rough, a smooth, slick material next to your face will make it seem more so. But a coat or blouse that is perceptibly rougher than your skin will make it seem smooth. Cotton weaves, rough part wool materials and any of the new bumpy cloths will help.

If you are one of those dream combinations of white skin and black hair you can go to town on anything you want in color, but if you have a slight bit of mouse in you that most of us have, brownish hair, pale skin and hazel, grey or bluish eyes, then you have to put into your clothes the color you lack in your body. The woman who is mild in color should rarely wear straight color of any kind. Reds should be off reds, tomato, wine or burnt oranges (this last with discretion); blues should be greenish or on the violet side. Lime greens, greenish yellows and soft apricot pinks with no trace of blue in them are good for this type.

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Shall U. S. Dollars Keep War Fires Burning?

What stands out particularly in the latest events in Sweden, Norway and Finland is the aggressive part that the Roosevelt Government is playing in the whole matter.

Roosevelt's hand in Scandinavia and the Baltics gets more visible every day. U. S. imperialism is interfering directly in their affairs. It wants them to keep the warfires burning.

As a matter of fact, it was Dorothy Thompson who recently admitted that American imperialism is directly responsible for having encouraged Mannerheim to light the fires of warfare in Finland. She wrote:

"We have led Finland on and now we are letting her down." (New York Herald Tribune.)

That's exactly it! Roosevelt and Wall Street have "led Finland" (that is Mannerheim's Finland) on.

Roosevelt gave Mannerheim the go-ahead signal. Now that Mannerheim is getting licked, and the Mannerheim Line, built by British money for 20 years, is being cracked, American imperialism is concentrating on keeping the war going in Finland.

The last thing Roosevelt wants to see in Finland is a real Finnish republic, ruled by the people, freed from the grip of the Bank of England and Wall Street financiers who have big investments there.

The prospect that there may soon be a Finnish People's Republic instead of a Mannerheim White Guard regime is what is giving jitters to the New York Times and the Herald Tribune. That's why both of these papers yesterday waited aloud, "Let's rush money and arms quick even if we'll never get it back because this is a moral issue."

What they mean is that the collapse of Mannerheim would ruin their plan to keep war blazing near the Soviet Union long enough to prepare a world-wide attack from every side, from the Baltics, the Near East and through the Far East. This is the "moral issue"! It turns out to be nothing but a cold scheme to heap dollars on the bonfire of anti-Soviet war.

That is why the American press is so filled with hostility to Sweden's neutrality. That is why the desire of the Norwegian people to stay out is treated with scorn. That is why the cry for "loans" to the tottering Mannerheim regime rises higher.

American imperialism has become the stoker of the war furnace. The spread of war means fat profits to the munition manufacturers here. It means also that Wall Street and Washington can become the leaders in the re-division of world markets, the Kingpin of world capitalism.

It is against this that the American people need to oppose their firm demand—no aid to the Mannerheim regime, and not a single act that keeps the war fires burning. The war must stop. This is the way to keep America at peace. Roosevelt's plan, as judged by his actions, is just the opposite, to keep the war spreading in the name of profits.

Progress Against The Poll Tax

The recent conference in Washington which mapped a broad campaign against the undemocratic poll tax in the South was like a fresh breeze which will blow good to the entire country.

The conference was planted firmly upon the foundation of joint participation and backing by both the CIO and the A. F. of L. Representation from Labor's Non-Partisan League, the National Negro Congress, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the National Lawyers Guild and the National League of Women Shoppers and others show the wide character of the participation. The developing progressive South was reflected again through the presence of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

Unquestionably John L. Lewis' powerful indictment of the poll tax (which disfranchises the Negro people and the majority of poor whites in at least eight states) in his address at the American Youth Congress in Washington gave impetus to the right-to-vote movement in the deep South. His words expressed the new and added attention which labor is giving to Negro rights and to the whole question of political and civil liberties during these crucial days. It gives added inspiration and courage at a time when the Roosevelt Administration has moved over with the Republicans in assaulting the Bill of Rights.

The conference is organizing the widest support for the bill of Rep. Geyer, of Calif.,

which would deal a powerful blow to the poll tax system by abolishing it in federal elections. Already the House Judiciary Committee has been compelled to appoint a subcommittee for future open hearings on the bill.

It is labor's leadership in this historic fight which provides the guarantee of success. Meanwhile, progressives and all other democratic Americans should urge their Congressmen to speed passage of the Geyer bill.

The Administration Broadens Its Attack on the Unions

With its indictment of Ben Gold and other leaders of the International Fur Workers Union, the "anti-trust law" attack by the Roosevelt Administration against the AFL, has now been extended to the CIO as well.

The attack by the government upon the Fur Workers is shot through and through with hypocrisy. The indictment under which the fur workers' leaders have suddenly been rushed to trial amidst a conspiracy of silence on the part of the press, was actually obtained six and a half years ago. The fact that it had to go back this far in its files is proof that the Administration will resort to any lengths to batter down the trade unions in this war period.

In some of its indictments against AFL leaders, the government seized upon certain racketeering elements in order to cover up the anti-labor character of the general attack. In the case of the fur workers, however, not only is this union completely free of racketeering, but its leaders, now on trial, were the very ones who courageously furnished the testimony in 1935 that convicted Lepke and Gurrah, the notorious gangsters who dominated a racket in the fur industry.

The government's attack on AFL and CIO unions should be met with the united protest of the entire labor movement. No differences should be permitted to stand in the way of unity on this crucial issue on which the very life of the labor movement may depend. Nor should the fact that among the indicted AFL leaders are certain corrupt, bureaucratic individuals who are despised by the workers, in any way prevent this "anti-trust law" prosecution from being combatted with wholehearted vigor and enthusiasm.

As it moves toward war, the Administration serves notice that it is out to straight-jacket the labor movement. Labor must take up this challenge and resist with all its strength.

Young Democrats Speak Up

There is a ferment going on in many sections of the lower ranks of the Democratic Party.

That is the significance of the action of the Young Democrats of King County, Seattle, Washington, in passing a resolution against loans to Mannerheim and in criticizing President Roosevelt for telling the American Youth Congress that such resolutions were "twaddle."

Those lower sections of the Democratic Party which are indignant over the Administration's war program and its betrayal of the New Deal, should receive a friendly, helping hand from labor. Labor, as it feels its own way toward independent political action, should not leave these militant sections of the Democratic Party to the mercy of a now reactionary leadership.

Labor should patiently work to convince them of the futility of seeking expression any longer through the Democratic Party and to show them that they can achieve their aims only through cooperation with labor and the people in breaking sharply with the old parties and embarking on a course of independent action.

AN UN-AMERICAN BARRIER by Ellis



George Washington And The American People

George Washington was a revolutionist. He led an armed people in a revolutionary war against British monarchy. In doing so, he helped to found the first democratic republic of modern history.

These are the key facts of Washington's career; they are uncomfortable for the smug reactionaries who today control the economic life of the American people. The Daughters of the American Revolution tremble at their own name.

Washington devoted his military genius to a single political task—to secure the national independence of the Colonies. He triumphed in this great aim because he was equally merciless to the Tories of his day and the rotten "compromisers," the liberals, who wanted to lie in two beds, the bed of Monarchical tyranny and of national independence, at the same time. Washington scourged these people with an unfailing revolutionary determination.

It is for this that the American people admired him in 1776-1783 and for which the people commemorate his memory today as the "Father of His Country" on this 218th anniversary of his birth.

The common people of America had returned home to find their farms stolen by the usurers of the Eastern money centers. They had returned to find the Federalist men of "property and breeding" stealing their liberties and their bread. They fought under Washington, but they found themselves groaning under the weight of Alexander Hamilton.

Having led the military affairs of the American people, Washington did not understand the needs of these common people when they found themselves plundered by

the landlords and financiers. It was inevitable that he would not understand the vital inter-relation of the French Revolution to the American as Thomas Jefferson's genius grasped it.

It was Thomas Jefferson, the political leader of the Revolution of which Washington was the military chief, who finally led the masses in the great struggle for democracy which broke out toward the end of Washington's Administration and which finally was won with the overthrow of the Adams Administration.

In this struggle of the mechanics and farmers Washington faltered. Too much did Hamilton influence his judgment in the declining years. The leadership of the Revolution passed to Jefferson's sure hands.

It was the plain people who gave Washington his immortal victories against oppression; it was the same people who later rallied to Jefferson against the Federalist aristocracy which did not hesitate to use Washington's name for their conspiracy against democracy.

The American people were not deceived; they realized that to defend what Washington had won in 1776-83, they must defeat the Federalist Party which cloaked itself behind Washington's glory. The old names, the old labels, the old slogans no longer applied. To carry the fight forward required the independent initiative of the mechanics and farmers. They did not hesitate.

The American people today have other problems. But the revolutionary determination of Washington is a precious heritage for them. The Jeffersonian fight which followed Washington's presidency is an indispensable part of the American tradition which Washington began.

The 'Nation' Didn't Tell All On Its Birthday

By Alan Max

A man in overalls, with a white shirt open at the neck, appears on the cover of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary number of The Nation. It is difficult to tell whether he is a farmer or worker (or a Nation editor on his "farm" in Connecticut). Presumably he represents the people and his eyes are fixed on the future. But if The Nation has its way, he is actually about to go into the house and put on his uniform and gas mask.

For the history of this brand of liberalism repeats itself with each crisis. The betrayal of 1917 is being enacted again by The Nation and its brother-in-arms, the New Republic. The anniversary edition tells much about the history of The Nation. But it conveniently fails to remind the reader how (and all of this goes for the New Republic as well) it beat the drums for American entrance into the last imperialist slaughter.

Of course up to the very moment of entrance into war, The Nation pretended that it wanted to keep the country out of the conflict. But, as today, it was whooping it up for the Allied cause. Only three months before the United States went in, The Nation was praising the Allies for turning down a German peace offer. (Today The Nation's editor, Freda Kirchway, utters her by now famous "peace if it came soon would be a calamity." Meanwhile, the gifted writer Thomas Mann urges, in this anniversary edition, that the war be ended not too soon and be prolonged not too much. He wants a war of "moderate duration"—whatever that may be. Such is the degeneration of a fine intellect when, under slogans of freedom, it becomes a slave to the imperialists.)

As part of its war propaganda, The Nation week after week becomes starry-eyed over the possibility of a United States of Europe growing out of an Allied victory. Four months before the United States entered the last conflict, The Nation started dreaming of a United States of Europe resulting from that imperialist war and offered it as war bait to its readers. But, as Lenin pointed out in 1915, the plan for a United States of Europe was a scheme for the complete subjugation of the small countries of Europe and for making the entire world prisoner to two or three imperialist powers. Today one of the main purposes of this "United States of Europe" would be to wage war against the Soviet Union.

When the United States entered the first World War, The Nation and the New Republic threw their hats in the air. It was somewhat in the nature of a personal triumph, for, after all, hadn't they helped dupe the people as to the character of the war?

The Nation, "champion" of civil rights and labor, caustically attacked Eugene Debs for refusing to support the "patriotic" labor leaders who signed away the rights of the railroad and other workers during wartime. It was therefore not surprising several weeks ago to find The Nation approving the prosecution of Earl Browder on a technical passport charge. Only after it saw that the people were comprehending that there was a serious blow to civil rights, did The Nation question the wisdom of a conviction which it itself had helped obtain.

When the last war was over and the horrors of Versailles were becoming apparent to the people everywhere, The Nation began to wring its hands in sad disillusionment. It seemed that the war to make the world "safe for democracy," which The Nation had helped sell to the people, hadn't been a war to save democracy after all. The sudden awakening of The Nation came, of course, after the mass of people had pierced through the fog of war lies, and revolted in several countries against the war-makers.

The touchstone of The Nation's war propaganda is the terrible treatment which is "suffered" at the hands of the Soviet Union. It seems that when the working class "lets you down" the only recourse left is rushing sobbing into the arms of the most reactionary imperialists to beg forgiveness for ever having "believed" in the workers. It is the Soviet-German non-aggression pact and the crushing of the Finnish White Guards which have made The Nation and its contributors sadder and wiser apologists for Wall Street.

The Nation, you see, like President Roosevelt, used to be a "hopeful friend" of the Soviet Union and therefore it has the right and duty to be the first to attack. But The Nation which today accuses Stalin of betraying Lenin, was accusing Lenin of betraying Marx on the occasion of the Socialist Revolution itself in November, 1917. Only later, when popular support for the revolution became overwhelming, did The Nation become a "friend." And it remained the kind of friend which howled with rage whenever the Soviet Union was compelled to take stern measures—like wiping out the Trotskyite bandits—in order to preserve socialism.

The present actions of the Soviet Union to secure its borders were clearly foreshadowed by Lenin himself in 1916—before the socialist revolution took place in Russia.

"The development of capitalism proceeds extremely unevenly in the various countries," Lenin wrote. "It cannot be otherwise under the commodity production system. From this it follows irrefutably that Socialism cannot achieve victory simultaneously in all countries. It will achieve victory first in one or several countries, while the others will remain bourgeois or pre-bourgeois for some time. This must not only create friction, but a direct striving on the part of the bourgeoisie of other countries to crush the victorious proletariat of the Socialist country. In such cases a war on our part would be a legitimate and just war. It would be a war for socialism for the liberation of other nations from the bourgeoisie." (From "War Program of the Proletarian Revolution.")

According to The Nation, the Soviet Union must sit with folded hands and let provocations proceed at its borders. The Soviet Union must wait until the imperialist nations openly announce that they intend to destroy it and send huge armies across the borders of the Land of Socialism. Then perhaps The Nation would give the Soviet Union permission to act (although we doubt if it would grant permission even then!).

But world imperialism is not as naive as The Nation tries to picture it, nor is the Soviet Union as childish as The Nation would like it to be. Imperialist powers know they cannot openly announce their hatred of socialism and expect the masses of people to follow them in war against the Soviet Union. They must resort to provocations, lies and puppets—like Mannerheim—to prepare the scene. (The hypocrisy of Britain's concern with Finnish "democracy" is revealed by the statement made the other day by former Minister of War Horace Belisha: "What if the tables could be turned and the invader himself invaded? Leningrad is within fifty miles of the Mannerheim Line.... A blow struck against Leningrad might well leave Germany with a Soviet corpse on her hands." It would be fun to watch The Nation try to explain away this statement.)

Imperialism is deceitful and treacherous. But the Soviet Union can see through its plots and has the physical strength necessary to thwart them. This, apparently, is what really bothers The Nation.

Letters from Our Readers

Jim Crow Textbook Bill of Mississippi
Condemned By C. P. Branches

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of letter sent to the State Legislature of Mississippi and to the Governor:

"Dear Sir:

"The passage by the Senate of Mississippi of a bill providing for separate textbooks for Negroes, excluding instruction in such principles as voting is not only flagrant abuse of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the Constitution in spirit and letter, but a direct attack on the rights of all the people.

"This bill serves to further entrench a minority in the control of a state, the majority of whose population are Negroes, and serves further in preventing this section of the population from raising their voices in unison with the voices of the white workers and farmers of Mississippi in the halls of the state and national legislatures for peace and against war, for jobs and security as against hunger and want.

"We sharply condemn the lynch spirit prevailing in the passage of this bill especially as characterized by the speeches of Dr. E. M. Gavin and Senator H. L. Davis."

7TH AND 9TH A. D.

COMMUNIST PARTY, NEW YORK CITY.

Suggests Readers' Questions and Comments
On Dialectical Materialism Articles

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I note with pleasure that your articles on Dialectical Materialism, by James Russell, intend to include discussion of Chapter Four of the History of the C. P. S. U.

The idea came to me that they may be made more valuable if your readers were to be asked to contribute, too, in the way of questions, comments, information, discussion, etc.

What do you think of the idea? Issues of this kind regarding fundamentals should mean a great deal for American readers who are anxious to learn, and therefore might include all minds who may have something to contribute.

P. M.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We invite our readers to send in their personal comments, questions, etc.

Fund Collections in Theatre
For Mannerheim—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I went to the Roxy Theatre recently and to my surprise they put on an appeal by Herbert Hoover and then made a collection for Mannerheim and Finland. The glibbie ones fell for it. The war propaganda and hysteria is far worse this time than it was in the World War, I thi

L. M.

America's Youth Does
Its Own Thinking

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

President Roosevelt's speech unquestionably was a great disappointment to the eager young people gathered on the White House lawn to hear him give guidance to young America. Instead of taking up the problems of our youth specifically, he quoted statistics and spent the main portion of his talk denouncing the Soviet Union.

If Mr. Roosevelt thinks he can derail our youth and change the American Youth Congress into a passive, inarticulate organization to serve him and the rest of the war-makers who are doing their utmost to camouflage the real issues of our present crisis, to drag us into the war for the profits of Morgan and his ilk, he is sadly mistaken.

Fortunately, today the youth of America know exactly what the issues are. The American youth and people will think independently, come to their own conclusions and act accordingly. They will not be regimented intellectually, as Mr. Roosevelt would like.

The people, and especially our youth of America, are endowed with the fullest democratic awareness and knowledge of the forces which go to make up our great community. They know how our independence was attained; how freedom was won for the slaves and the eight-hour day for the workers. The people of America know that all their sacred rights and privileges were attained through sacrifice and struggle. The President and the entire capitalist class will eventually have to reckon with this fact.

R. M.

On the The Score Board

Touching
On
Several Things

By Lester Rodney

WE PUBLISHED a letter on the sports page the other day chiding us for letting down on the fight to end discrimination in baseball at a time when real progress had been made.

There may have been a slight letdown over the winter, but there isn't going to be one any more. Spring training is just about beginning and from here on down to the April 15th opening we're going to be hanging away. It'll be a lot easier than it was four years ago when the Daily Worker sports page and the campaign began simultaneously. Because we know we're not hanging just to hear the noise. Nearly everybody's conscious of the un-democratic and certainly un-American situation now and the great majority of people believe in fair play and democracy though they don't always get a chance to let that be effectively known.

With the majority of fans, sports writers, managers and players themselves outspokenly in favor of bringing the great Negro players into the leagues, what's needed obviously is the organization to give it the final push and momentum necessary to knock the clock-stopping magnates into the upper left field seats, in foul territory. In the meanwhile we're going to keep at it, continue to reflect the feelings of fans and players against the discrimination, and beginning next week will print a daily coupon reminder to be sent to the magnates who are still holding the fort for Jefferson Davis.

And in answer to one letter we've received, there's no contradiction in carrying on the campaign and at the same time reporting on the teams and the game. The situation is none of the players' doing. They show how they feel plainly enough in after season games with the Negro stars. And all of them that could be gotten for chats on the subject last summer said that the Negro players belonged in the game. The players, and the managers for that matter, don't come from Wall Street, Park Avenue or Southern landowner stock. (Except for a Memphis oil mogul). They come right out of the heart of America, from farm and mine and field and school.

Baseball is still a grand game, but of course it's going to be a much grander game the day it no longer matters what color a player is as long as he can hit, run and throw. And by the way, how the hell else are those Yankees ever going to be beaten?

MR. BUMMY DAVIS of Brownsville has won 47 straight fights since turning professional. Outside of Mickey Farber, Tippy Larkin and one or two others, however, none of the 47 who have been rated very highly in the fight world, and even the above-mentioned pair of lightweights had to give Bummy a hefty weight edge. Plus the fact that Davis is considered more or less a one-handed fighter, having a terrific left hook and little else, he'll be comfortably on the short end of the odds tomorrow night at Madison Square Garden against Lou Ambers, his unbeaten record and ten pound weight bulge notwithstanding.

Our Mr. Kurman has the idea that not only will the seasoned and clever Ambers beat Bummy, but may even manage to cut him up badly enough to knock him out. It does seem sound to figure the big hearted and knowing Ambers too much for the Brooklyn youngster. But I don't see it that way.

It may be partly hunch, but even if it is it's still partly the memory of Bummy's pulverizing power against the late Farber in the Garden. I like him to win. Ambers is a wee bit showman and those 30 rounds with Armstrong couldn't have helped him too much. Granted that Bummy's list of victims rates some of his fights on the L.U.-Yeshiva basketball game plane, he DID lick them all, didn't he? Forty-seven straight may not prove that he's a good fighter, but it certainly doesn't prove he's a bad one either. And there's something about a left hook...

A CLIPPING from the Boston Daily Record sent hither by Ted Hoffman of the city of baked beans, banned books and peppy Communist leaflets informs us that Boston's fight fans aren't falling for the Hoover-Mannerheim Finland relief racket any more than New York fans are. The clipping says:

"The Finnish Relief Fund received less than \$100 as a result of Top Sergeant Eddie Mack's fight show the other night, and the Sarge went in the red for \$400."

(Tak, tak, Sergeant, and in the RED, too! The nerve of those Bostonians wanting to feed Bostonians first!

A Trade Union Flying School!

A Trade Union Flying School became a reality this week when the executive council of the Trade Union A. A. voted to sponsor the purchase of a plane at Floyd Bennett Field and instruct members of affiliated unions in the art of flying.

The project will be a cooperative venture, with member unions contributing to the upkeep of the plane and instructional costs. A small fee per flying hour will be charged the union students.

William H. Smith and Sam Schneider, both licensed instructors at Floyd Bennett Field and members of the Transport Workers Union, have been designated as a committee to conduct the school, according to Jack Roth, secretary of the T.U.A.A.

Have you clipped the "Broader Library" Certificates today?

Lincoln Wins 30-29 Thriller

A desperate heave by Marv Rubin that dropped in just a few seconds before the final whistle gave Lincoln a 30-29 win over New Utrecht in a Brooklyn Division Two thriller at the losers' gym yesterday.

Lincoln, trailing 23-19 going into the fourth quarter, spurred brilliantly to lick favored Utrecht. Sol Clogower, who played a terrific floor game, sparked the attack. Rubin, surprise hero of the tilt, scored 13 points for individual honors.

Weinberg was best for the losers, turning in a heady floor game and scoring 10 points.

For the usual expert angles and snappy coverage of last night's court twin bill at the Garden, see tomorrow's Daily Worker.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the Daily and Sunday Worker are 50c per line (4 words to a line - 3 lines minimum). DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, 5 P.M. Friday.

Tonight

ENTERTAINMENT: Musical: Beethoven Apartments and Moonlight Sonata. Washington Celebration Dance follows. Sub. 20c. Lincoln YANO Club, 173 E. 95th St., Brooklyn, 8:15 P.M.

Tomorrow

CLARENCE HATHAWAY on "Current Events." Clarifying and timely. Friday, Feb. 23rd, 8:30 P.M. Franklin Oshin, 851 12nd St., Bronx. Ausp. Followers of Trail Lodge 603, TWO. Adm. 15c.

ANNA SOKOLOV

Will Dance at the

Spanish Prisoners REVUE

And the curtain goes up

at 8:30 P.M.

BUT SHARP

It's a long show and a

good one!

Sunday, February 25th

MECCA TEMPLE

Approved by Theatre Authority. Auspicious: Veterans of Lincoln Brigade. Tickets: 50c, 85c, \$1.10, \$1.65, \$2.30. On sale at: Workers Bookshop, 30 E. 13th, Lehigh's and Gray's, Progressive Bookshop, United Czech Societies, and Veterans of Lincoln Brigade, 55 W. 42nd Street. LO. 3-4213

SENDER GARLIN speaks on "Propaganda Techniques 1914-1940." Progressive Forum, 430 Sixth Ave. 7:15 P.M.

Coming

HARRY MARTEL, instructor in historical materialism at the Workers School, speaks on "Labor and the War" this Saturday, Feb. 24, 2:45 P.M., at Irving Plaza, East 13th St. and Irving Pl. Adm. 25c. Ausp. Workers School.

GRUPO MEXICO in a Grand Noche de

Congra. Saturday, Feb. 24, 8:30 P.M. at 60 Bank St. Price for the best Congra Dancer. Swing to snappy orchestra and Marimba.

Philadelphia, Pa.

HEAR ROBERT RAVEN, blinded veteran, Memorial Meeting for Philadelphia's Fallen in Spain. Stephen Girard Hotel, 207 Chestnut. Friday, Feb. 23, 8:30 P.M.

Newark, N. J.

SATURDAY—Leap Year Dance, entertainment, swing band, fun. 772 High St., Newark. Abraham Lincoln Club. Tickets 35c.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

SOCIAL DANCE GROUP—Recognized workers school for Ballroom Dancing. Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, etc. 66 Fifth Avenue, Studio T-B. OR. 7-2829. Miriam Pallas. Registration 5-10 P.M.

DANCE TODAY

Washington Birthday, Feb. 22nd All Afternoon & Evening, 5 P.M.-2 A.M. ENOCH LIGHT and His Hotel Taft Orchestra

AL COOPER and His Savoy Sultans Manhattan Center, Promenade Ballroom 24th St. & 5th Ave., N.Y. Adm. \$1.50 Sponsored by Fur Dressing and Dyeing Salesmen's Union

DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1940

Local Lawyer May Make the Dodgers

Respectable Sam Nahem of New Utrecht High and Brooklyn College Impresses at Camp

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEARWATER, Fla., Feb. 21.—There's a lot of early chatter down here about the chances of a couple of the rookies coming through to give the Dodgers the big lift they need.

Milers Too Hot —Only 5 Enter

Fenske After 1st AAU
Title at Garden
Saturday

By Al Stillman

The annual A. A. U. championship mile run at Madison Square Garden Saturday night has lured only five participants. A sure sign that the present crop of milers is the finest to hit the boards in many a year.

A close parallel can be drawn to the same mile run in 1932 when Gene Venzke was so predominant at the distance that all but two aspirants either withdrew or shifted to another distance. That year only Bill McKinniff, a 4:17 man from the University of Pennsylvania, and a complete unknown, Arthur Pendleton of Greenwich, Conn., dared oppose the mighty Gene.

Venzke had no trouble winning in that limited field of definitely inferior milers and he breezed through to an easy victory. He was clocked at 4:15, a time, which surprisingly enough, still stands as the meet record.

This year the event has the big four, Chuck Fenske, winner of five straight mile events and current favorite, Louis Zamperini, California boy constantly improving and a definite threat, Gene Venzke, old but still in there and Glenn Cunningham, declining rapidly but who may surprise in this important meet where experience will count. Archie San Romani is an added starter and will probably act as pace setter as he did in the Baxter Mile.

Venzke's record is sure to fall Saturday as every man is capable of a better than 4:00 mile. Twice at the Garden this year Fenske ran the distance in 4:07.4, Cunningham in 4:07.7, 4:07.9 for Zamperini and 4:08.2 for Venzke.

With the added confidence of his five major victories to-date, Fenske will probably step out to break the competitive mile record which he equaled at his two Garden meets. In the Boston K. of C. Mile the

respected Wisconsin graduate won in 4:10.3, the Wanamaker Mile in 4:07.4, the Pennac Mile in 4:13.5, the Hunter Mile in 4:11.2 and the Baxter Mile in 4:07.4. Despite this imposing record Fenske has never taken any sort of a national championship. However he can make up for that by winning this A. A. U. Mile, for all the previous winners of the past eight years are running against him.

Venzke capped in 1932 and '36, Cunningham in 1934, '35, '38 and 1939, and San Romani in 1937. Zamperini, a new addition to Eastern boards, is the only other starter without a championship to his credit.

Luke Waiting For Raise



AND HE got some of it yesterday, so he signed up for \$12,500, a \$5,000 boost. Oh, yes, we thought you knew. It's Luke Hamilton of the Dodgers. He won 20 last year.

Off the Backboard

Manhattan Cools Off Hot Canisius in 2nd Half—Lions at Harvard

Columbia, hard luck team of the Ivy League, starts its final round-the-circuit swing by invading cellar club Harvard tonight.

The Lions, who have looked much better than their two won-four lost record shows, have a fair chance of coming out with a 500 mark. Tonight's game starts a campaign that will bring them against every team in the league.

Columbia is anxious to make up for the early-season upset by Harvard and hopes to get in trim for the big scrap against league-leading Dartmouth at Hanover Saturday night.

Manhattan had some uneasy moments with strong Little Canisius at the Jasper gym Tuesday night but finally overcame the visitors with a late drive, 50-39.

Little Johnny Kravets sparked the smashing finish with his fancy play-making and shooting. Johnny dropped 14 points to lead the Green scorers but Joe Niland of the Griffins took individual honors with 17 points.

Bummy Can Have Build-Up — Lou Will Take the Fight

Or So Says Stan After Going Over All Angles on Tomorrow Night's Scrap—Weight-Making Main Problem for Davis

By Stan Kurman

Some people think that Lou Ambers is going to beat Al Davis. Others think that Al Davis is going to beat Lou Ambers.

Which is an innocuous way of saying that what is laughingly called expert opinion is pretty well divided on tomorrow night's scrap at Madison Square Garden.

The build-up throughout has been strictly Bummy. Al's unbeaten—terrific left hook—heavier and younger—criban Ambers—Lou's fading—Lou's looking bad in workouts.

Some of the puffing is okay-doke but most of it is wishful thinking. Al can hit and it's always dangerous to give away weight to a socker. In his last fight, Bummy met Tippy Larkin, one of the cleverest boxers in the ring and after futilely pawing at the speedy lightweight for a spell, knocked him out in the third. It could happen the same way with Ambers.

But this ardent admirer of the Brownsville welter can't see it that way. For the past five years, they've been saying Ambers is slipping. When he first won the title from a fading Tony Cansoner, wise guys called Lou a cheese champ. They're still choking on that one.

When Ambers met hard-hitting Pedro Montanes two years ago, few thought he'd stay the distance. Lou beat Pedro easily.

When Lou met Henry Armstrong for the first time a year ago, majority opinion figured it easy going for the Negro ace. Lou came back from an early knockdown to slice Henry badly and make it awful close at the finish.

And Lou beat Armstrong last summer.

So this fading talk doesn't register here. Ambers at form figures too much for Bummy. Al has always been bothered by inflighters and Lou is one of the best in the game with Armstrong and Montanes. There's no sock quite like a slicing right upper. Lou's a regular cut-up when that's going right and if Al is at the wrong end off too many of those jolting smacks he's likely to wind up with his first kayo-by.

Al's record doesn't rate with Lou's. When Lou beat Cansoner three years ago, Tony was considered finished. It's only a couple of months since Bummy kayoed a completely washed-up Canis.

And Tippy Larkin, stand-up boxer, is much more likely to get tagged by those long-range Davis smashes than Lou. Lou is somewhat

ALONG FISTIC ROW

Clever Wesley Ramey gave Johnny Rinaldi a neat boxing lesson to win the feature eight-rounder at the Coliseum Tuesday night but youngsters Joey Iannotti and Curley St. Angelo stole the show in the hectic six-round semi-final, a slugfest that was properly called a draw.

Al McCoy, veteran Boston heavy, made a fine comeback start by taking Buddy Scott in the top eight at the Broadway Arena Tuesday night. Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini had too many boom booms for Frankie Terranova in the semi-final eight and kayoed the vet light-weight in the fourth.

Light heavy champ Bill Conn resumes training today for his title defense against Gus Lemerich at Miami next Wednesday night after spending two days nursing a slight arm infection.

Late Tuesday Night Scores

Alabama, 34; Mississippi State, 32. George Washington, 41; Maryland U., 34. Gettysburg, 25; Bloomsburg, 25. Kansas, 41; Kansas State, 35. Loyola, 41; Catholic, 31. Manhattan, 50; Canisius, 39. M.I.T., 20; Boston U., 27. Moravian, 39; Upsilon, 41. Notre Dame, 56; Marquette, 20. Ohio U., 41; Miami, 21. Oklahoma A. & M., 37; Oklahoma, 23. Omaha, 37; Northwestern, 32. Pittsburgh, 60; West Virginia, 49. Rice, 43; Arkansas, 28. V.M.I., 56; Virginia Tech, 35. Wake Forest, 35; Clemson, 20. Washington, 50; Western Maryland, 23. West Va. Wesleyan, 70; Belknap, 65. Williams, 40; Dayton, 24.

Like Mickie Parber and Eddie Brink in style only much better. Both Parber and Brink, although not ranking very high, gave Al his toughest fights.

The late news as they both wound up training yesterday was that Bummy, although tall over the 145 pounds he has to make for Lou, will dry out enough to make it at the official weigh-ins tomorrow noon.

PERSONAL BUT NOT PRIVATE:

Dave Begins His Survey of the Rookies

By Dave Farrell

LOS ANGELES.—I had intended to follow up the Ruth series with one on either Gehrig and/or the Judge. But David's challenge has me upset. I upset very easily, I'll have you know. So if you'll bear with me, I'm going to take a whirl at some of the rookies who did something like this last year and told you about such guys as Ted Williams of the White Sox, Merrill May of the Phils, Fern Bell of the Pirates, Maxie West of the Bees, Rip Russell of the Cubs, Mort Cooper of the Cards and Bobbie Mattick of the Cubs—all of whom I think are in the big show to stick—at least for the next few years.

I went on so sour on Giant Mennie Salvo and Hugh Casey of the Dodgers. But for different reasons. I thought Salvo would have a great year and that Casey wouldn't do at all. Salvo wound up with a record of 4-10; Casey with 15-10, a mere difference of 314 points. All I can say in the way of an alibi was that Salvo was a good pitcher while with San Diego while Casey looked like anything but a big leaguer while with the Angels. That Casey has made good pleased me. I never root against a ball player making the grade. I still think Salvo is a big league pitcher and hope he'll prove me right this year.

But let's look at the boys coming up this season. On the Boston roster the only newcomer I know fairly well is Al Piechota. Pie is a good pitcher. He has been hanging around in the Association for a couple of years. But he really got started out here in the Pacific Coast League. He has had plenty of seasoning but is not too smart and needs a good catcher. Handled by Al Lopez, he may very well have a good year. When he does his own thinking he's none too bright. I saw him force in a winning run by stalling too long while thinking it over. However he has a good curve ball and has developed control at long last. If he has acquired a change of pace, he may stick. The Dodgers have Chris Hartje, a rookie catcher, who looked good

in the few games he got into last year at Ebbets Field. He played a lot of ball in the Coast League and showed me none too much. He is a pretty smart kid who throws well. My personal opinion is that he won't hit well enough to make the grade—although Durocher may carry him as a spare. While with Hollywood in the Coast League he had an unfortunate habit of hitting two-out balls. However, this is another year.

The Cubs are bringing up a flock of guys I know quite well. I've written a lot about Julio Bonetti, the best AA pitcher in baseball last year. Although out of the game for six weeks with injuries, Julio wound up the season with 20-5. He has uncanny control and can put the ball right where he wants it. He is pretty near unbeatable at night—specializing in a sinker ball that breaks low and is invariably hit into the dirt. With night ball in to stick, any club can use him to good advantage. Certainly the Cubs who flew the pennant in the box.

Dominic Dalesandro, who looks like a refugee from a Singer's midget troupe dubbed "the mighty mile of smite" for the simple reason that he can belt the ball. That little feller can really hit. And being small he's a hard man to pick to. The Cubs have been sweet on Jimmy Gleason for the simple reason that he cost them a lot of pesos. But Dom is going to chase him right off the club. The Cubs outfield this year will be Lieber, Galan and Dalesandro.

Mark me well. The number one catcher with the Wrigley forces this season will be Bob "Ripper" Collins, a guy with a paid-up union card in his pants pocket. Bob, a member in good standing in the R.R. Brotherhood, is a bear for work. He is smart and pitchers like to work with him. He is without a doubt the fastest catcher I've seen in years. And a pretty fair hitter. He hits a long ball—mainly in the clutches. He's a cinch to stick. Gaby will manage from the bench.

The Champion Reds are bringing up Catcher Billy Ba

and my pal Red Barrett for second tries. Baker, last year with the Cubs and before that with Oakland just ain't got it. There's something missing and I'm darned if I can see where. He's got everything to make a great receiver but never quite crashed through. Maybe a smart gent like Hank Gowdy can spot it. If so—you never can tell. Red Barrett's story is his own swell head. The erstwhile pride of the Santa Susanna Pass was the cockiest kid in America a year ago. He had had a great season in the International and while with the Reds had won two and lost none. He saw himself as some punkie. He was more interested in a career as a singer—BEFORE he had made good as a pitcher. Smart Billie McKechnie sent him down to Indianapolis where he had a tough time getting started but wound up with good numbers. Maybe he's been chastened and has a little humility. If so, he can still be a major leaguer. It's time he got over being his own worst enemy.

For the records—I don't think Vince Di Maggio is a big league ball player. His brother Dom is a lot better. I'll tell you more about Dom later. But Vince hasn't got what it takes—in my book. He's a top flight minor leaguer. But that I'm afraid lets him out. Since everybody has picked the Cards to win the pennant, I think I'll lay off their rookies and tell you exactly why I don't think this is the year for the Cards. And at the same time I'll tell you all about this year's crop of ivory.

When I wrote my blurb about the Cincinnati club, I completely overlooked my old friend Milt Galatzer. Milt has been up before, with the White Sox, I believe. He came down here and couldn't hit his hat with a fistful of buckshot while with the Angels. But Truck Hannah and the boys said he was a good hitter. He proved it in the Association where he hit 325 in 135 games. However, root for him as I will, I can't see him. I like the guy personally and hope I'm wrong. But I'm prejudiced. He made two bad throws in the last game I saw of him.

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